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No.	Names.	Admitted.	Conference.	Postoffice.
1	James H. Amis.....	1875	Holston.....	Jellico Tenn.
2	R. O. Ayres ^c	1864		Riceville "
3	James A. Baker.....	1879	Holston.....	
4	J. N. Baker ^c	1857	".....	Walden's Creek Tenn.
5	Wm. B. Ballenger.....	1852	".....	Big Lick "
6	L. Bogart†.....	1866	".....	Harrisburg "
7	T. W. Brown.....	1866	".....	Witts' Foundry "
8	A. J. Bruner ^c	1872	".....	Laural Gap "
9	M. C. Bruner.....	1881	".....	
10	H. H. Burk.....	1869	".....	Soddy "
11	M. R. M. Burk ^c	1875	".....	Ten Mile Stand "
12	L. B. Caldwell.....			Athens "
13	J. L. Cardwell.....	1866	Holston.....	Rheatown "
14	Daniel Carter†.....			Flat Gap "
15	T. A. Cass ^c	1875	Holston.....	Athens "
16	F. M. Cones ^c	1875	".....	Thornton Ind.
17	E. B. Clark.....	1872	".....	Laural Gap Tenn.
18	R. J. Cooke.....			Knoxville "
19	Geo. W. Coleman.....		Athens	Flat Gap "
20	B. Crist.....		Georgia	Loudon "
21	W. C. Daily.....	1843	Holston.....	Knoxville "
22	J. M. Durham.....	1867	".....	
23	J. B. Fitzgerald ^c	1865	".....	Fullens Tenn.
24	W. C. Graves†.....	1834	".....	Morristown "
25	A. J. Greer.....	1856	".....	Maynardville "
26	Samuel Greear.....	1866	".....	Scarboro "
27	Wm. M. Haskell†.....	1844	Genessee.....	Campbell Station "
28	P. H. Henry.....	1878	Holston.....	
29	J. S. Hill.....	1878	".....	Morristown Tenn.
30	T. H. Hodge.....	1874	".....	Johnson City "
31	D. S. Hodsdon.....	1875	".....	Sevierville "
32	J. R. Hughes ^c	1867	".....	Greeneville "
33	S. W. Hydent.....	1861	".....	
34	G. W. Jarvis.....	1877	".....	Kingsport Tenn.
35	J. H. Jennings ^c	1868	".....	Johnson City "
36	George Julian.....	1867	".....	Cleveland "
37	S. G. Ketron.....	1881	".....	Taylorville "
38	Wm. Kinsland ^c	1857	".....	Spring House "
39	J. D. Lawson ^c	1868	".....	Fair Garden "
40	J. B. Little.....	1852	".....	Fincastle "
41	C. S. Long.....	1875	".....	Nagasakka Japan.
42	Wm. R. Long†.....	1844	".....	Williamsburgh Tenn.
43	J. W. Mann.....	1857	".....	Knoxville "
44	J. J. Manker.....	1866	".....	Chattanooga "
45	J. K. P. Marshall.....	1881	".....	Cleveland "
46	L. H. Massey.....	1880	".....	Athens "
47	J. P. Milburn.....	1861	".....	Greeneville "
48	J. N. Moore ^c	1865	".....	Erie "
49	J. F. Morrison ^c	1869	Virginia.....	Locust Spring "
50	C. D. Munsey.....	1879	Holston.....	Middle Creek "
51	J. A. Nicholson.....	1878	".....	Chatata "
52	I. C. Patton.....	1878	".....	New Market "
53	E. E. Pearman.....		Detroit.....	Cleveland "
54	James F. Perry.....	1872	Holston.....	Squatchee College "
55	Adam C. Peters.....		".....	Skenes "
56	John S. Petty.....	1866	".....	Greeneville "
57	Ralph Pierce.....		".....	New Market "
58	P. H. Reed.....	1855	Holston.....	Tampico "
59	Daniel Richardson.....	1867	".....	Dayton "
60	R. C. Robertson.....	1879	".....	New Port "
61	J. J. Robinett.....	1878	".....	Greenville "
62	Wm. H. Rogers.....	1832	".....	Stamper "
63	J. A. Ruble.....	1866	".....	Marynville "
64	M. A. Rule.....	1875	".....	Campbell's St. "
65	T. B. Russell.....	1875	".....	Fullens "
66	T. H. Russell.....		".....	Kries "
67	S. B. Scott.....	1877	Holston.....	Helen Wood "

No.	Names.	Admitted	Conference.	Postoffice.
68	J. B. Seaton.....	.....	.....	Blue Spring "
69	Moses Seaton.....	1857	.....	Irwin "
70	Wm. T. Senter.....	1877	Holston.....	Panther Springs "
71	Wm. D. Smith*.....	1867	"	Red Clay Ga.
72	C. B. Sparrow.....	.....	Genessee.....	Knoxville Tenn.
73	J. F. Spence.....	1854	.....	Athens "
74	Geo. M. Stone.....	1875	Holston.....	Riceville "
75	N. G. Taylor.....	.....	.....	Elizabethton "
76	Sidney Tinker†.....	1861	E. Indiana.....	Chattonoga "
77	T. S. Walker.....	1861	Holston.....	New Market "
78	A. G. Watkins.....	1872	"	Morristown "
79	Ben F. Wellst.....	1839	"	Leicester N. C.
80	T. R. West.....	1860	"	Tampico "
81	A. B. Wright*.....	1867	"	Wartburg "
82	J. C. Wright.....	1874	"	Fullens "

PROBATIONERS.

1	Fred G. Mellor	1882	Holston	Apison Tenn
2	W. C. Miller	1882	"	Cleleland "
3	Yarmada Ganjiro	1882	" . . . . .	. . . . . Japan
4	Rufus K. Boyd	1883	"	Roan Mt. Tenn.
5	J. D. Droke	1883	"	Chattanooga "
6	Mellville M. Murrell	1883	"	Sneedville "

Names with a * are Supernumeraries.

Names with † are Superannuates.

APPOINTMENTS, 1883-'84.

Chattanooga District.

R. Pierce, Presiding Elder.
 Athens, L. H. Massey.
 Athens Circuit, G. M. Stone.
 Blue Spring, J. B. Seaton.
 Chatata, J. A. Nicholson.
 Chattanooga, to be supplied.
 Chattanooga South, J. D. Droke.
 Cleveland, J. K. P. Marshall.
 Cleveland Circuit, W. C. Miller.
 Decatur, W. T. Jones.
 Ducktown, to be supplied.
 Loudon, B. Crist.
 Madisonville, supplied by J. F. Dugan.
 Ooltewah, F. G. Mellor.
 J. J. Manker, Financial Agent
 Chattanooga Church, Mem-
 ber of Chattanooga Quar-
 terly Conference.
 Geo. W. Coleman, Temperance
 Agent for Tennessee, mem-
 ber of Athens Quarterly
 Conference.
 J. F. Spence, President, L. B.
 Caldwell, Professor in East
 Tennessee Wesleyan Uni-
 versity, members of Athens
 Quarterly Conference.
 W. H. Rodgers, Sunday School
 Agent, member of Cleveland
 Quarterly Conference.

Greenville District.

J. S. Petty, Presiding Elder.
 Ervin, M. Seaton.
 Fall Branch, J. L. Cardwell.
 Greenville, J. J. Robinett.
 Greenville Circuit, J. P. Mil-
 burn.
 Johnson City and Elizabeth-
 ton, T. H. Hodge.
 Johnson City Circuit, supplied
 by F. H. Little.
 Jonesboro Circuit, supplied by
 G. B. Cox.
 Kingsport, G. W. Jarvis.
 Oakland, E. B. Clark.
 Parrottsville, A. F. Creswel,
 and one to be supplied.
 Rheatown, T. B. Russell.
 Roan Mt. Circuit, R. K. Boyd.
 Taylorsville, S. G. Ketron and
 one to be supplied.
 J. C. Wright, Principal of
 Warren College, member of
 Rheatown Quarterly Confer-
 ence.
 N. G. Taylor, Conference Evan-
 gelist, member of Johnson
 City and Elizabethtown
 Quarterly Conference.
Kingston District.
 W. C. Daily, Presiding Elder.
 Crossville, to be supplied.
 Dayton, D. Richardson.
 Hamilton, H. H. Burk.
 Huntsville, S. B. Scott.

Jamestown, E. E. Pearman.
 Jasper, M. C. Bruner.
 Kingston, A. C. Peters.
 Kingston Circuit, to be supplied.
 Pikeville, J. F. Perry.
 Scarboro, T. H. Russell.
 Sunbright and Tracy City, to be supplied.
 Wolf River, W. B. Ballinger.

Knoxville District.

C. B. Sparrow, Presiding Elder
 Campbell Station, M. A. Rule.
 Fair Garden, J. A. Baker.
 Knox Circuit, J. M. Durham.
 Knoxville, Clinch Street, R. J. Cooke.
 Knoxville, North Church, J. W. Mann.
 Warren Chapel, to be supplied.
 Little River, P. H. Reed.
 Maryville, J. A. Ruble.
 New Market, T. S. Walker.
 Newport, R. C. Robertson.
 New Salem, D. S. Hodsden.

Sevierville, C. D. Munsey.
 Thorne Grove, I. C. Patton.

Powell's Valley District.

T. R. West, Presiding Elder.
 Big Valley, A. L. S. Bateman.
 Clinton, P. H. Henry.
 Fincastle and Speedwell, J. B. Little.
 Jacksboro, S. Greer.
 Jellico and Newcomb, J. H. Amis.
 Maynardville, supplied by F. M. Hinds.
 Morristown, A. G. Watkins and J. S. Hill.
 Rogersville, W. T. Senter.
 Rutledge, T. W. Brown.
 Sneedville, M. M. Murrell.
 Tazewell, A. J. Greer.
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Disciplinary Questions.

1. *Who are Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?*
—R. J. Cooke, from the Georgia, and A. F. Creswell, from the Blue Ridge Conference.

2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?*—R. K. Boyd, J. D. Droke, Wm. F. Jones, and M. M. Murrell.

3. *Who Remain on Trial?*—Fred. G. Mellor, W. C. Miller, Yarmada Ganjiro.

4. *Who are Discontinued?*—Wm. R. Byrley.

5. *Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*—M. C. Bruner, S. G. Ketron, J. K. P. Marshall.

6. *Who are Re-admitted?*—Geo. W. Coleman.

7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?*
None.

8. *What Traveling Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*
The three admitted into full connection.

9. *What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*
M. C. Bruner.

10. *What Local Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*—Jacobus D. Droke, Wm. C. Miller, Rufus K. Boyd, David M. McInturff, John Stout, John Morton, Hazen Oakes.

11. *What Local Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*
The seven elected.

12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*—M. C. Bruner, S. G. Ketron, J. K. P. Marshall.

13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*
Lucius H. Massey, I. C. Patton.

14. *What Traveling Deacons have been Elected Elders?*—Jas. A. Baker, Canaro D. Munsey, Robert C. Robertson, George M. Stone, F. M. Cones.

15. *What Traveling Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*—J. A. Baker, C. D. Munsey, R. C. Robertson, G. M. Stone.

16. *What Local Deacons have been Elected Elders?*—None.

17. *What Local Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*—None.

18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*—J. F. Morrison, A. J. Bruner, J. B. Fitzgerald, M. R. M. Burk, R. O. Ayers, J.

R. Hughes, W. D. Smith, J. N. Moore, F. M. Cones, T. A. Cass, J. H. Jennings, A. B. Wright, J. D. Lawson, Wm. Kinsland, J. N. Baker.

19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*—D. Carter, L. Borgia, W. C. Graves, Wm. M. Haskell, W. R. Long, Sydney Tinker, Ben. F. Wells, S. W. Hyden.

20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*—Yes. The names of the Preachers were all called in open session, as the Journal shows, and their characters examined, as the Discipline requires.

21. *Have any Died?*—Spencer Henry, June 3, 1883.

22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conference?*—John B. Ford, to Illinois Conference.

23. *Have any Withdrawn?*—None.

24. *Have any been Located at their own Request?*—Henry Pyle.

25. *Have any been Located?*—None.

26. *Have any been Permitted to Withdraw under Charges?*—None.

27. *Have any been Expelled?*—None.

28. *Who are Selected for Triers of Appeals?*—T. B. Russell, J. B. Little, J. A. Ruble, D. Richardson, J. J. Manker, J. J. Robinett, W. Kinsland.

29. *What is the statistical Report?*—[See tabulated statement.]

30. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*—\$500.00.

31. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*—\$287.81 received, which has been applied under order of the Conference.

32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*—[See appointments.]

33. *Where shall the next Conference be Held?*—Greenville, Tennessee.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

M. E. CHURCH, KNOXVILLE, TENN., }
 Wednesday Morning, October 17th, 1883. }

Opening Services.—The Holston Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in its Nineteenth Session in the Clinch Street Methodist Episcopal Church, in the City of Knoxville, Tenn., this, Wednesday morning, at nine o'clock, Bishop Thomas Bowman presiding. The opening exercises were conducted by Dr. Stowe, of Chicago. He read a part of the xv. chapter of St. John, and announced Hymn 707, "And are we yet alive?" which was sung, after which he led the Conference in prayer. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered; Bishop Bowman read the service and administered the Communion, assisted by the Presiding Elders.

Roll Call.—The roll of members was called by J. S. Hill, Secretary of the last Conference, and forty-six answered to their names.

Secretary Elected.—J. S. Hill was re-elected Secretary, with authority to nominate his assistants. He nominated the following: Assistant Secretary, L. H. Massey; Statistical Secretaries, J. H. Amis, S. G. Ketron, M. A. Rule.

Bar of Conference.—The outer edge of the second window from the pulpit, was made the Bar of the Conference.

Hours of Session.—Conference decided to meet for its regular morning session at 8½ o'clock—the first half hour being devoted to religious services, and to close at 12 M.

Committee on Nominations.—On motion, the Presiding Elders were appointed a Committee on Nominations, who reported the following, which was adopted:

Education—J. F. Spence, J. J. Manker, Jos. H. Ketron, J. C. Wright, L. B. Caldwell, J. B. Little, J. S. Hill, J. A. Ruble, Wm. Rule.

Church Extension—T. H. Hodge, A. C. Peters, J. J. Robi-
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Freedmen's Aid Society—L. B. Caldwell, R. C. Robertson,
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Draft on Chartered Fund—The Bishop stated that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$30, and a draft for that amount was ordered.

Book Concern Dividend—A communication was received from the Book Concern, stating that a dividend of \$105.00 had been given to this Conference, and a draft for that amount was ordered.

Papers Referred.—Papers in reference to the support of the Bishops, and the expenses of General Conference Delegates, were received and referred to the Presiding Elders, who are to make the apportionment for the several Districts. Communi-

cations were also read from the Educational and Freedmen's Aid Societies, and were referred to their appropriate committees.

Reception of Statistics.—The reception of Statistics and Conference moneyes, was made the special order for 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Special Committee.—The Bishop and Presiding Elders were requested to appoint a special committee to prepare a programme for the proper observance of the centenary of Methodism.

Introduced.—Rev. Dr. Stowe, of the Book Concern, T. C. Carter, editor of the Methodist Advocate, and Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Humes, ex-President of the University of Tennessee, were introduced to the Conference.

Decease of Rev. Dr. E. Q. Fuller.—Rev. J. A. Ruble announced to the Conference the death of the Rev. Dr. E. Q. Fuller, who was so greatly beloved by the members of this Conference.

Memorial Committee Appointed.—R. J. Cooke, J. A. Ruble, and J. W. Mann, were appointed to prepare a suitable memorial expression of the feeling of this Conference. "What a friend we have in Jesus," was sung, and W. H. Rogers led the Conference in a most fervent prayer for the bereaved family.

Telegram Ordered Sent.—The Secretary was directed to send a telegram expressing the sympathy of the Conference to Dr. Fuller's wife and family, and he sent the following: "Dear Sister Fuller—The Holston Conference, with Bishop Bowman, deeply sympathize with yourself and family in your great affliction, and have appointed a committee to prepare an appropriate memorial."

Committee Appointed—J. W. Mann, R. J. Cooke and J. A. Ruble, were appointed a committee to raise one hundred dollars, and forward it to Sister Fuller as the gift of Holston Conference.

Book Concern Exhibit.—The annual exhibit of the Book Concern was read by the Secretary, and on motion was referred to the committee on Books and Periodicals.

Twentieth Question.—The twentieth Question,^a "Was the

character of each Preacher examined," was taken up. R. Pierce, Presiding Elder Chattanooga District, after the passage of his character, reported the work in his District. [See report.] The characters of the following Effective Elders were passed, each reporting, as his name was called, his collections for Missions, Conference Claimants and Church Extension; also, whether all the collections had been taken, and whether or not all the Sunday Schools were organized into the Missionary Societies. The two last statements were made at the request of the presiding Bishop, T. H. Hodge, J. N. Moore, J. J. Manker, J. F. Spence, L. B. Caldwell, E. E. Pearman and W. A. Rogers.

Greenville District.—After the passage of his character, J. S. Petty read an interesting report of the work on the Greenville District. [See report.] The characters of G. W. Jarvis, J. P. Milburn, J. L. Cardwell, E. B. Clark, J. H. Jennings, J. A. Nicholson, J. C. Wright, J. N. Baker and T. B. Russell, were severally passed.

Committee on Examination.—L. B. Caldwell, Wm. Kinsland and Wm. M. Haskell, were appointed as the Committee on Examination for the second year.

Adjournment.—After various announcements, Conference adjourned by expiration of time, with the doxology and benediction by Bishop Bowman.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, October 18th, 1883.

Opening—Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, Bishop Bowman in the Chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Little.

Minutes Read.—The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Roll Call.—The list of absentees from yesterday's session was called, and fifteen additional members were found present. The further calling of "the roll" was then dispensed with.

Twentieth Question.—Resumed.

Kingston District.—After the passage of his character, W. C. Daily read a good report of the work on his District. [See

report.] The characters of W. B. Ballenger, D. B. Richardson, T. H. Russell, T. A. Cass, H. H. Burk, J. F. Perry, A. B. Wright and S. B. Scott were severally passed.

Supernumerary.—T. A. Cass and J. H. Jennings, at their own request, were placed on the supernumerary list.

Knoxville District.—After the passage of his character, C. B. Sparrow read a very full and exhaustive report of the work on the Knoxville District. [See report.] The characters of M. A. Rule, J. D. Lawson, T. R. West, J. W. Mann, R. J. Cooke, B. Crist, P. H. Henry, P. H. Reed, J. M. Durham, J. B. Seaton, D. S. Hodsden and J. A. Ruble were severally passed.

Statistics.—The hour set apart for reception of Statistics and Conference Moneys having arrived, some time was devoted to that business.

Introduced.—Rev. Dr. Kennedy, Presiding Elder Knoxville District of the M. E. Church South, and M. F. Marsh, of the Virginia Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

Address.—Bro. Marsh addressed the Conference in behalf of Sister Ingle, widow of Rev. Willis Ingle, the first member of the Conference who died after reorganization.

Placed on List of Conference Claimants.—The name of Sister Ingle was ordered to be placed on the list of Conference Claimants.

Twentieth Question.—Resumed.

Powell's Valley District.—After the passage of his character, T. S. Walker read a very encouraging report of the work on Powell's Valley District. [See report.] The characters of J. B. Little, S. Greear, Henry Pyle, Wm. Kinsland, T. W. Brown, W. T. Senter, C. S. Long, J. S. Hill, A. G. Watkins, A. J. Greer and J. H. Amis were severally passed.

Sixth Question.—The Sixth Question, "Who are readmitted?" was taken up, and Geo. W. Coleman was readmitted into full connection.

Eighteenth Question.—The Eighteenth Question, "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers" was taken up, and J. F. Morrison, A. J. Bruner, J. B. Fitzgerald, W. D. Smith, M. R. M. Burk, R. O. Ayers and J. R. Hughes were continued in that relation.

Made Effective.—J. J. Robinett and Moses Seaton were made effective.

Superannuated.—The relation of S. W. Hyden was changed from Supernumerary to Superannuated.

Nineteenth Question.—The Nineteenth Question, "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was taken up, and D. Carter, Benjamin F. Wells, Wm. M. Haskell, W. C. Graves, S. Tinker, W. R. Long and L. Bogart were continued in that relation.

Deceased.—The decease of Spencer Henry was announced to the Conference.

Introduced.—Rev. Mr. Russell, pastor of the Colored Baptist Church, was introduced to the Conference.

Fourteenth Question.—The Fourteenth Question, "What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?" James A. Baker, C. D. Munsey, R. C. Robertson, F. M. Cones and G. M. Stone, being favorably reported as to character and studies, were duly elected to Elders' orders.

Granted a Supernumerary Relation.—F. M. Cones was granted a Supernumerary relation, at his own request.

Third Question.—The Third Question, "Who Remain on Trial?" was taken up, and W. C. Miller, Fred G. Mellor and Yarmada Ganjiro, being favorably represented by their Presiding Elders, were continued on trial.

Time Extended.—On motion, the time for adjourning was extended.

Fifth Question.—The Fifth Question, "Who are Admitted into Full Connection?" was taken up. Marion C. Bruner, Samuel G. Ketron and J. K. P. Marshall were called forward by the Bishop, who addressed them in a very forcible, feeling and tender manner upon the life, duties and responsibilities of the Ministry.

Election of Delegates.—On motion of W. C. Graves, the election of delegates to the General Conference was made the special order of business for 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Adjournment.—Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the singing of the Doxology. The benediction was pronounced by L. B. Caldwell.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 19th, 1883.

Opening.—Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, P. H. Henry conducting the devotional exercises, Bishop Bowman in the Chair.

Journal Approved.—The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Communication from the Freedmen's Aid Society.—The Secretary read a communication from the Freedmen's Aid Society in reference to the amount which this Conference was asked to raise for that Society. The paper was referred to the Presiding Elders for apportionment.

Fifth Question.—Resumed, and S. G. Ketron, M. C. Bruner, and J. K. P. Marshall, being favorably reported as to character and studies, were admitted into full connection. M. C. Bruner was elected to Deacons' orders, S. G. Ketron and J. K. P. Marshall being Deacons.

Transfer.—The Bishop announced the transfer of J. B. Ford to the Illinois Conference, and that of R. J. Cooke from the Georgia Conference and A. F. Crosswell from the Blue Ridge Conference.

Discontinued.—Wm. R. Byrley was discontinued, at his own request.

Special Order of the Day.—The hour for the election of delegates to the General Conference having arrived, J. S. Petty, C. B. Sparrow and Sydney Tinker were appointed tellers.

Voting by Proxy.—Bishop Bowman was, by vote of the Conference, permitted to cast the vote of R. J. Cooke, who was called to Atlanta to conduct the funeral services of the late Dr. Fuller.

Roll Called.—The roll was called and the ballot was taken.

No Election.—The tellers reported 66 votes cast, but, no one having received a majority, there was no election. The roll was again called, and the vote taken—69 votes cast.

J. J. Manker Elected.—J. J. Manker, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected a delegate to the General Conference.

Roll Called.—The roll was again called, and the vote taken for one additional delegate.

No Election.—The tellers announced the vote—no election. The tellers announced the result of the fourth, fifth, Sixth and Seventh ballots—no election.

Time Extended.—On motion, the time was extended.

Eighth Ballot.—The roll was again called, and the vote taken—66 votes cast.

J. F. Spence Elected.—The tellers announced the result of the eighth ballot, and J. F. Spence was declared elected.

Adjourned.—On motion, the Conference adjourned, and the benediction was pronounced by C. B. Sparrow.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING, October 20th, 1883.

Opening.—At the appointed hour the Conference met, Bishop Bowman in the Chair, N. G. Taylor conducting the devotions.

Journal Approved.—The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Reception of Subscriptions for the Minutes.—The reception of subscriptions for the Minutes was made the special order for 10 o'clock this morning.

Communication from the Church Extension Society.—The Secretary read a communication from Rev. Dr. Kynett, Corresponding Secretary Church Extension Society, in reference to the claims of that Society.

Introduced.—Rev. Dr. R. S. Rust, of the Freedmen's Aid Society, was introduced to the Conference.

Tenth Question.—"What Local Preachers have been elected to Deacons' Orders?" was taken up, and Jacobus D. Droke, Wm. C. Miller recommended by the Chattanooga District Conference, Rufus K. Boyd, David M. McInturff, recommended by the Greenville District Conference, John Stout, John Morton and Hazen Oakes, recommended by the Powell's Valley District Conference, being favorably reported by the Examining Committee and their Presiding Elders, were duly elected.

Thirteenth Question.—The Thirteenth Question, “Who are the Deacons of the Second Class?” was taken up, and L. H. Massey and I. C. Patton were passed as Deacons of the Second Class.

Lay Conference.—The Secretary of the Lay Conference reported that Joseph H. Ketron and S. P. Angel had been duly elected as Lay Delegates to the General Conference, and that Wiley M. Christian and W. A. Wright had been elected as reserves.

Minutes.—The hour set apart for reception of subscriptions to the Minutes having arrived, some time was devoted to that business.

Committee Appointed.—The following were appointed to solicit additional subscriptions for the Minutes: G. M. Stone, J. J. Robinett, M. C. Bruner, I. C. Patton and J. H. Amis.

American Bible Society.—W. H. Rogers presented and read the report of the Committee on American Bible Society, which was adopted.

Introduced.—Dr. Savage, General Agent for the American Bible Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference on the work of that Society.

Added to Committee.—S. P. Angel was added to the Committee on Public Worship.

Reserve Delegates.—The Bishop, having announced that the election of two Reserve Delegates to the General Conference was in order, Conference, by motion, resolved that the two receiving the highest number of votes should be declared elected. The roll was called, and the vote taken—62 votes were polled. N. G. Taylor and J. S. Petty, having received the highest number of votes, were declared elected as Reserve Delegates to the General Conference.

Instructing the Delegates.—Wm. M. Haskell offered the following resolution, which was adopted: *Resolved*, That our delegates to the General Conference are hereby instructed to vote against any change in the time limit.

Temperance.—Sons of Temperance. Geo. W. Coleman offered a resolution in reference to the Grand Division of the

Sons of Temperance, now in session in this city, which was adoped.

Second Question.—The Second Question, “Who are Admitted on Trial?” was taken up, and J. D. Droke, Wm. Jones and Wm. C. Miller, recommended by the Chattanooga District Conference; Rufus K. Boyd, recommended by the Greenville District Conference, and M. M. Murrell, recommended by the Powell’s Valley District Conference, being favorably reported by their Presiding Elders and Examining Committee, were admitted.

Western Book Concern.—Rev. Dr. Stowe addressed the Conference at some length concerning the Western Book Concern and its publications.

Examining Committee Appointed.—The Bishop presented the list of Examining Committees, the names of the Board of Church Extension Society, and the Triers of Appeals.

Semi-Centennial Sermon.—On motion of J. S. Hill, W. C. Graves, who is now entering upon his fiftieth year as an itinerant Methodist preacher, was invited to preach a Semi-Centennial Sermon at the next session of Conference.

Temperance.—L. H. Massey read the report of the Committee on Temperance, which was adopted.

Thirty - Third Question.—The Thirty - Third Question, “Where shall the next Conference be held?” Greenville was selected.

Requesting the Bishops.—N. G. Taylor offered a resolution in reference to the time of holding the sessions of Conference, which was adopted.

Adjournment.—It was ordered that when the Conference adjourn it adjourn to meet this afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. Conference adjourned with benediction by W. C. Daily.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opening.—Conference met, pursuant to adjournment, at 2:30 o’clock, N. G. Taylor in the Chair, W. H. Rogers conducting the devotional exercises.

Journal Approved.—The Journal of the morning session was read and approved.

Appointments.—The Bishop was requested to make the following appointments: J. F. Spence, as President of, and L. B. Caldwell, as Professor in East Tennessee Wesleyan University; J. C. Wright, as Principal of Warren College, and J. S. Hill, as Principal of Morristown Seminary.

Church Extension Society.—T. H. Hodge presented the report of the Committee on Church Extension, which was read and adopted.

Tract Society.—P. H. Reed, Treasurer of Tract Society, read his report.

Sunday School Union.—B. Crist, Treasurer Sunday School Union, presented his report.

Treasurer's Report.—T. R. West read his report as Treasurer of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

Church Extension Collection.—The Treasurer of the Church Extension Committee presented his report of receipts, which was adopted.

Conference Records.—J. D. Lawson presented the report of the Committee on Conference Records, which was adopted.

Missionary Collections.—T. B. Russell, Treasurer of the Missionary Society, read his report, which was adopted.

Memoirs.—On motion, the Committee on Memoirs was requested to prepare a memoir of the late Sister Milburn.

Warren College.—J. C. Wright presented and read a communication from the Trustees of Warren College, tendering that institution as a gift to the Conference. Pending the acceptance of it, Bishop Bowman appeared and took the Chair. The question was very thoroughly discussed. On motion, the gift was accepted, with the distinct understanding that the College should be subordinate to the University at Athens or Chattanooga.

Supernumerary.—J. N. Baker, A. B. Wright, J. D. Lawson and Wm. Kinsland were granted Supernumerary relations, at their own request.

Adjourned.—Conference adjourned with benediction by Dr. R. S. Rust.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY MORNING, October 22th, 1883.

Opening.—Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, Bishop Bowman in the Chair, T. C. Carter conducting the religious services.

Journal Approved.—The Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Certificate of Ordination.—I hereby certify that, on October 21, 1882, I ordained, as Deacons, J. D. Droke, R. K. Boyd, John Stout, Marion C. Bruner, Hazen Oakes, John P. Morton, Wm. C. Miller, David M. McInturff; and that, assisted by several Elders, I ordained, as Elders, J. A. Baker, C. D. Munsey, R. C. Robertson, Geo. M. Stone, according to the Ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church. THOS. BOWMAN.

Steward's Report.—The Stewards presented their report, which was read and adopted, after which they distributed their money as follows :

Mrs. Duggan, \$20.00, paid to R. Pierce.
 Mrs. Marshall, \$20.00, paid to R. Pierce.
 Mrs. Guthrie, \$20.00, paid to S. Tinker.
 Mrs. Henry, \$25.00, paid to P. H. Henry.
 Mrs. Henninger, \$10.00, paid to J. D. Roberson.
 Mrs. Murphy, \$10.00, paid to Wm. Haskell.
 Mrs. Forrester, \$45.81, paid to W. C. Daily.
 Mrs. Cobliegh, \$55.00, paid to J. F. Spence.
 Mrs. Ingle, \$20.00, paid to M. F. Marsh.
 B. F. Wells, \$20.00, paid to A. F. Creswell.
 Wm. M. Haskell, \$25.00, paid to himself.
 W. C. Graves, \$9.00, paid to himself.
 L. Bogart, \$8.00, paid to R. C. Robertson.
 Total amount, \$287.81.

Auditing Committee.—The report of the Auditing Committee was adopted.

Church Literature.—R. J. Cooke read the report of the Committee on Church Literature, which, after remarks by Dr. Stowe and T. C. Carter, was adopted.

Freedmen's Aid Society.—L. B. Caldwell read the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, which was approved.

Geo. W. Coleman.—S. Tinker presented a resolution commending Bro. Coleman as a temperance worker, which was adopted.

Made Effective.—On motion, N. G. Taylor was made effective.

Located.—Henry Pyle was granted a location, at his own request.

Collection Ordered.—A collection was taken for the Sexton.

Benevolent Collections.—It was ordered that the Benevolent Collections be taken in same order as printed in the Minutes.

Conference Evangelist.—On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint N. G. Taylor as Conference Evangelist.

Educational Collections.—J. S. Petty, Treasurer of the Educational Society, read his report, which was adopted.

Sunday Schools.—T. B. Russell presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools, which was adopted.

Education.—L. B. Caldwell read the report of the Committee on Education, which was adopted. [See report.]

Missionary Appropriations.—J. S. Petty, from the Committee on Missions, presented his report, which, after being read, was adopted.

Approved.—The Statistical Reports were approved.

Episcopal Fund.—The Treasurer of the Committee on Episcopal Fund read his report, which was adopted.

Resolutions of Appreciation.—R. J. Cooke presented a resolution of appreciation of Bishop Bowman, which was adopted by a rising vote.

Vote of Thanks.—A vote of thanks was tendered the Secretaries; also, T. C. Carter, Dr. Rust, Dr. Stowe, and to A. H. Gillett. Resolutions of thanks was tendered to R. J. Cooke, J. W. Mann, the citizens of Knoxville, the Choir, and the Railroad Companies for courtesies extended to the Conference, which were adopted by rising votes.

Granted a Supernumerary Relation.—J. N. Moore was granted a Supernumerary relation, at his own request.

Final Adjournment Ordered.—It was ordered that, after the reading of the appointments by the Bishop, Conference should adjourn *sine die*.

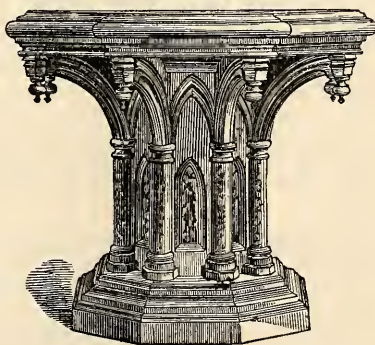
Journal Read.—The Journal was read and approved.

Appointments.—After devotional exercises, conducted by J. J. Manker, Bishop Bowman addressed the Conference and read the appointments, after which the Nineteenth Session of the Holston Conference adjourned *sine die*. Benediction by Bishop Bowman.

THOS. BOWMAN, Bishop.

Attest:

J. S. HILL, Secretary.



BETTER THAN GOLD.

So easily is a cold taken that not infrequently one is at a loss to tell when or how it has originated, and is prone to expect it will go **HEALTH** as lightly as it came. Perhaps it may go easily, if helped a little; but every cold that comes is *liable to stay*. It may happen just at a time when, from other causes, the **IS** normal strength of resistance in the system has been lowered. A little inattention or delay may give it a **d a n g e r o u s** hold. Let it once become **BETTER** firmly seated and the work of dislodgment will be very difficult. The simple Coryza, or cold in the head, may **THAN** develop into a Catarrh, and is indeed exceedingly likely to do so. That such is the case is evidenced by the fact that seven persons out of every **GOLD**, nine, in the Atlantic and Middle States, have catarrh in a severe form. Or, if it does not take that turn, the little cough that is at first but an annoyance, is almost certain to become dry, hard, racking and constantly recurrent, worrying in waking hours, banishing sleep, and momentarily

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REPORTS.

EDUCATION.

Your Committee have carefully examined the papers placed in its possession in reference to the character and condition of the institutions of learning intrusted to the patronage of this Conference.

EAST TENNESSEE WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The past year has been one of prosperity and growth in every department of this Institution. The Annual Catalogue shows an enrollment of 214 names, 26 of whom were preparing for the work of the Ministry.

Every dollar of indebtedness against the Institution has been paid. The University curriculum, as laid down in the Catalogue, compares favorably with any in the land. The students have choice of four courses of study. During the past Winter the School enjoyed a gracious revival.

The University Young Men's Christian Association has become an interesting department in the moral and religious work of the School. It numbers about 100. Many of the young men are faithful workers in the Christian Church.

The Chapel and Church are being pushed to completion as rapidly as the limited means at hand will admit.

A Boarding Hall 32x74, two stories high, with basement, and capable of accommodating 30 or 40 students, is also in process of erection, and is to be completed by the 1st of December next.

The University was never more full of promise than at present. The Trustees continue the free tuition system, which is simply \$5.00 per term, incidentals. This covers the College course.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That we confirm the nominations by the Board of Trustees of the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., Hon. J. W. Ramsey,

E. H. Matthews, J. R. Getteys, Rev. J. S. Petty and Rev. J. H. Triplett, as Trustees in the University.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of Revs. R. J. Cooke, T. H. Hodge, L. H. Massey, J. H. Amis, A. C. Peters, Wm. T. Senter, T. S. Walker, J. W. Carter, T. H. Triplett, J. D. Robeson and E. H. Vaughan, as Visiting and Examining Committee of the ensuing year.

Resolved, That we tender to the Board of Education our sincere and hearty thanks for the aid granted our ministerial students during the past year, and that we pledge ourselves to observe Children's day in taking collections in all our Churches in the interest of said Board of Education.

Resolved, That we most heartily thank Dr. R. S. Rust and the Freedmen's Aid Society, which he so ably represents, for the aid so promptly advanced to the different institutions within the bounds of our Conference.

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Whereas the Holston Conference, at its last session, held in the City of Chattanooga, adopted the following resolutions :

ONE UNIVERSITY.

1. In view of the magnitude of our educational work and the meager resources at our command, we believe that the energies of our white Conferences ought to be concentrated in support of one, and only one, university or school of collegiate grade.

2. The plan proposed and recommended by the Education Convention, held at Athens, Tenn., in May, 1882. seems to us wisely adapted to secure the end proposed, and we, therefore, recommend its approval and adoption by this Conference.

3. As that plan calls for the appointment of a Committee of five members of the Holston Conference to serve with similar Committees, to be appointed by other Conferences, in determining the question of location, we recommend that the Bishop presiding, with the advice and approval of the Presiding Elders, appoint said Committee of five.

4. In order that the action herein contemplated, when completed according to the plan above referred to, may command the confidence and support of all concerned, and be carried to the largest and speediest success, we, as a Conference, hereby pledge ourselves to give it our hearty and earnest support.

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the action above recited, the University has been located at Chattanooga, and an eligible

and beautiful site has been purchased by the Freedmen's Aid Society, and arrangements are being made for the erection of suitable buildings, and for the early opening of the School, therefore, *Resolved*,

1. That we rejoice in the progress thus far made in the prosecution of this grand undertaking, and hereby pledge again, as before, our hearty co-operation and support.

KINGSLEY SEMINARY.

Kingsley Seminary, at Bloomingdale, Tenn., was founded in August, 1877, by the present Principal, Joseph H. Ketron, A. M., who has had charge of it ever since its organization. Prof. Ketron has evinced great ability as an educator, and self-sacrifice and heroism in sustaining this valuable institution of learning. The School has been successful from the beginning. Students have been received from five different States. To this date 367 students have been enrolled. Of this number 172 have been boarders. The enrollment for the past year was 136—the largest ever made. About 70 teachers have been trained at Kingsley Seminary, and they have given general satisfaction. To meet the heavy demand for teachers a Normal Class was organized the second term of last year, and this department became at once so popular that 40 of the students were enrolled in it. Large numbers of the students have been converted each year, and have become active Christian workers. From the beginning a students' prayer-meeting has been sustained. Many have prayed their first public prayer in this meeting. The buildings are comfortable. Plans have been formed to erect a more commodious main building as soon as practicable, and for this purpose grounds have been secured and the cornerstone laid.

Resolved. Your Committee recommend the appointment of Revs. S. G. Ketnor, G. W. Jarvis and the Presiding Elders of Greeneville District, as Visiting and Examining Committee.

HOLSTON SEMINARY.

This Institution is located in Newmarket, on the E. T., Va. & Ga. R. R. Rev. S. P. Fowler is the successful Principal. For the term ending May, 1883, the enrollment was 137. Holston Seminary is pleasantly located, and free from debt.

We commend it to the patronage of the district in which it is located. Your Committee recommend the appointment of Revs. T. S. Walker, J. S. Hill and the Presiding Elders of Knoxville District, as a Visiting and Examining Committee.

POWELL'S VALLEY SEMINARY.

This Institution is located in the heart of one of the most beautiful valleys in East Tennessee, and is under the charge of Prof. W. A. Wright, A. M. This Seminary has enjoyed great prosperity during the past year—reaching an enrollment of 170. The Trustees have been successful in completing one of the most beautiful brick edifices for educational purposes in the Conference. The building has cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000. A small debt still hangs over the Institution. Prof. Wright and the Board of Trustees deserve the highest praise for their earnest and successful work.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of Rev. J. H. Amis, A. J. Greer and the Presiding Elders of Powell's Valley District, as Visiting and Examining Committee.

SEQUATCHIE COLLEGE.

This College is situated in Sequatchie Valley, Tenn. Its property consists of about fifteen acres of land as a campos. The main building is a large two-story brick building, in good condition. There are six dormitories, and four more in course of construction. A large brick two-story building is being completed for the express use of the school, though it does not belong to the College property. This building is designed as a ladies' boarding hall, and will accommodate from twenty to thirty students. Sequatchie College has been run for years as an independent school, but has recently been turned over, with all its property, to the Methodist Episcopal Church, to be conducted according to our system of Conference Seminaries, and subordinate to the Central University. Prof. E. W. Mattson, A. M., an efficient man, has been placed in charge of this school. From its location it cannot fail to be an educational power in that beautiful valley. Your Committee would recommend the confirmation by this Conference of the nominations made by the Board of Trustees of Sequatchie College—the following named persons, as additional members of that

Board of Trustees, namely: J. J. Manker, D. D., J. F. Spence, D. D., Rev. W. C. Daily, J. J. Robinett, J. F. Perry, J. W. Burnett and L. B. Caldwell. Your Committee would also recommend the following persons as Visiting and Examining Committee: Revs. A. C. Peters, J. F. Perry, and the Presiding Elders of the Kingston District.

WARREN COLLEGE.

WHEREAS, The Greeneville District Conference, at its recent session, held at Hermon M. E. Church, July 11th-15th, 1883, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That Greeneville District Seminary, at Rheatown, Tenn., has been, and is, accomplishing great good for our Church in its field of operation, and that it expects at no very distant day to enlarge its usefulness to the Church by erecting, at Fullen's, Tenn., an elegant school building; therefore we pledge it our earnest support.

And, WHEREAS, The Trustees of the above-mentioned school building, at Fullen's, East Tenn., have tendered to this Conference the property aforesaid, under the name and title of Warren College, pledging themselves to conduct therein a school in the interest of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and subordinate to the University at Athens, or at Chattanooga, as the case may be, expressly stating that they do not ask or expect the Conference to assume any financial responsibility on account or in behalf of the said Warren College; and,

WHEREAS, The Holston Conference has accepted the property and school on the terms offered, therefore, *Resolved*,

1. That we commend the Warren College, at Fuller's, Tenn., to the patronage and support of our people within the bounds of the Greeneville District;

2. That we recommend the appointment of the Rev. J. C. Wright, A. M., as Principal of said Institution.

Your Committee would recommend the confirmation of the following persons, as a Board of Trustees.

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Dr. J. A. Fitzgerald, Dr. J. P. Easterly, J. S. Noe, Rev. J. P. Milburn and Rev. J. L. Cardwell.

And we recommend the appointment of Dr. N. G. Taylor, Hon. N. Hacker and Rev. T. B. Russell, as Visiting and Examining Committee for the present year.

J. F. SPENCE, Chairman.

L. B. CALDWELL, Secretary.

FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

Whatever aid may be rendered in the near future by the General Government in favor of general education, it cannot at present take the place of the F. M. A. Society. Though it now have 25 institutions of learning among the Freedmen—seven Chartered, four Theological, one Medical and fourteen of lower grade—and though it have 16 schools among the whites which are doing College and Seminary work in the same field, the work of this Society is but in its infancy. The schools among the Freedmen now enroll about 4,000 students and 100 teachers; but “what are these among so many?” The rapid increase of the Freedmen demands increased school facilities. While it is true that the Freedmen are beginning to help themselves nobly, yet, instead of \$100,000, the F. M. A. S. ought to have \$250,000 annually to spend in this field. Words may not express the magnitude of the work done by this Society, nor of that unfinished in its hands. But a Providence which has enfolded the Church, may help her measure up to this work as the years pass by.

Illiteracy almost all over the South is on the increase, and without more money, the F. M. A. Society cannot equal the work intrusted to it. This new field which is now opening to it among the whites is just ripening for the harvest. And whatever relation the General Government may assume in regard to the educational work in the South, the culture of the people of this class for years to come must be left to the care of the Church.

Your Committee would call the attention of the Conference to the fact that, by the action of the last General Conference, the F. M. A. Society was entrusted with the entire educational work of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South.

Your Committee would recommend the most hearty endorsement by this Conference of such interpretation of the Constitution of the F. M. A. Society. And as the year 1884 completes the first century of American Methodism, your Committee recommends that the Holston Conference take such action as may be in her power for the proper Centennial of American Methodism. In view of the above facts, your Committee would recommend the following *Resolutions*:

1. That we fully endorse the action of the last General Conference in placing the entire educational work in our Church in the South under the care of the F. M. A. Society.

2. That we instruct our delegates to the General Conference to favor such a change in the name of the F. M. A. Society as shall enable it to correspond with the enlarged work entrusted to it by the last General Conference.

That we fully endorse the recommendation of the F. M. A. Society to make the coming Centennial of American Methodism a year of great giving in favor of the work of education in the South.

L. B. CALDWELL, Chairman.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Committee on Church Extension desire to submit the following:

We regard the work of this Society of vital importance and interest to the Church. It has for its ultimate end the honor and glory of God and the good of men. It has come to the relief of struggling Societies all over the South and West, and through its earnest and loving endeavors hundreds and thousands of Churches have been erected, which never would have had an existence had not aid been secured through this Society. We desire to express our thanks and gratitude to the Board of Church Extension for its sympathy and help. We rejoice that the Holston Conference have so advanced their fund by collection for this Society that the total is over *three*

times as much as it was last year. *We can do better yet. Let the same advance be made in 1884. Let there be no falling back.* We, therefore, recommend that special efforts be made the ensuing year to meet our entire assessment.

T. H. HODGE, Chairman.

CHURCH LITERATURE.

We believe that the Church and Sunday School Literature published by the Methodist Episcopal Church is not surpassed in excellence by that of any other ecclesiastical organization. We, therefore, recommend that our preachers and people do their utmost to circulate our new books and papers and Sunday School Lesson Helps.

As the Western Christian Advocate, published at Cincinnati, is the nearest to us of our official papers, and every way worthy our patronage, we, therefore, recommend it to the special consideration and support of our members and friends, and pledge ourselves to increase its circulation amongst us.

The Methodist Advocate, published at Chattanooga, Tenn., by the Rev. T. C. Carter, A. M., has met a pressing want long felt among us, supplying a means of communication of imperative necessity to our local Churches and Conferences in this portion of the South. We, therefore, welcome this paper as a valuable factor in our Church work, and commend it to the support of the preachers and people in the Holston Conference territory.

R. J. COOKE, Chairman.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, We believe that the interests of Sunday School work within the bounds of the Holston Conference can be advanced by thorough organization; therefore,

Resolved, That we do hereby organize the Holston Conference Sunday School Society, auxiliary to the Sunday School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and that the following rules be and are hereby adopted for the control of the Society:

1. The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, one Vice-President for each Presiding Elder's District, a Secretary and Treasurer.

2. The officers shall be nominated by the Conference Committee on Sunday Schools, and elected by the Conference.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall be appointed by the Presiding Elders, immediately on the adjournment of the Conference, and their names furnished the Conference Secretary for publication in the Minutes.

4. The Anniversary of the Society shall be held at such time during the Conference session as may be fixed on by the President and Secretary in connection with the Committee on Public Worship.

5. The District Vice-Presidents, in connection with the Presiding Elder, shall arrange for a District Institute, under the direction of the Presiding Elder, at least once a year.

6. It shall be the duty of the District Vice-Presidents to correspond with the Agent of the Sunday School Union concerning the condition of the work in their Districts, and do all they can to aid him in advancing the interests of Sunday School work within the bounds of their Districts.

We nominate the following officers of the Society above provided for: L. B. Caldwell, President; T. S. Walker, Vice-President; J. C. Wright, Secretary; B. Crist, Treasurer.

Vice-Pres.	{	Chattanooga District—J. J. Manker.
		Powell's Valley District—J. H. Amis.
		Knoxville District—J. W. Mann.
		Kingston District—M. C. Bruner.
		Greeneville District—J. J. Robinett.

We offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That we recommend the reappointment of Rev. W. H. Rogers as Sunday School Agent for the Holston Conference for the ensuing year.

T. B. RUSSELL, Chairman.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK IN HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

The Sunday School Agent of the Holston Conference, appointed at its last session, desires to submit the following report, as a summary of his work:

Immediately after the session, I entered upon my work, and up to the present time I have traveled, on horse-back, 2,850 miles, preached and lectured in the interest of Sunday Schools 225 times, organized and visited 105 schools, held 40

district and circuit conventions, visited and prayed with 460 families and baptised two children, besides holding many class-meetings, experience and prayer-meetings. While engaged in this work I have witnessed some powerful demonstrations of Divine power and saving grace. These revivals have occurred most frequently, and been most extensive and glorious where our Sunday Schools are most strongly planted. We observe, also, that from those charges, when our Sunday School work has been most efficiently carried on, come our largest collections for the Missionary and other benevolent causes.

I have collected and expended for the Tract cause during the year, \$3.00; for Sunday School periodicals, collected and expended, \$14.36. I have sold of the Scriptures and other books to the amount of \$198.50. I have collected for the Sunday School Union \$9.30, which makes a total of \$225.16. In addition to this I have received from various charges for my services as Agent, \$43.50. Incidental expenses during the year, \$11.50.

My work has been bestowed in 28 of the 34 counties of East Tennessee, and has been beset with many difficulties; yet I am now closing one of the happiest years of my life, and the reports in the statistics of the Conference will show a good increase in our Sunday School ranks, a part of which may be due to this work. Yours, most truly,

W. H. ROGERS.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Your Committee rejoice to learn of the continued prosperity of the American Bible Society, and would offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the American Bible Society be requested to make a grant of two hundred dollars' worth of Bibles and Testaments for our Sunday School work.

Resolved, That we will take the Bible collection in all our congregations, and we pledge ourselves anew to give our hearty co-operation with the Agents of the A. B. S. when they may visit our charges.

W. H. ROGERS, Chairman.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the Presiding Elders of the different Districts, and find them correct.

W. T. SENTER, Chairman.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your Committee on District Conference Records beg leave to submit the following :

That, after careful examination of the Records of Kingston, Knoxville and Powell's Valley District, we found them kept neat and in the *order* of the Discipline.

J. D. LAWSON, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance would respectfully submit the following report :

As Christians and as ministers and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we stand pledged to the cause of temperance, which "implies a subordination of all the emotions, passions and appetites to the control of reason and conscience." The uses of tobacco, not professionally advised, which, to the deep regret of all serious Christian people, have become so common, both out of the Church and in the Church, must, in the light of its own results, be strongly opposed by every friend of economy, decency and purity, and must stand condemned in itself, both at the bar of conscience and at the bar of God. We feel, furthermore, that we should raise our voice against another relic of heathenism, whose inroads upon our Christian civilization are, we fear, on the increase, viz: the use of opium and morphine. Perhaps, our greatest danger from these source arises from their use to alleviate pain; when an appetite for them is contracted and fastened upon the patient, ever after to be a drain upon means; body and mind, until death ensue. It is generally conceded that intemperance in the line of intoxicating drinks, viewed in its results, is by far the greatest evil now known in this, or, perhaps, any other

civilized country. The traffic in strong drinks distinguishes itself from all other employments or trades in that it proves itself to be one whose certain results to its customers are disgrace, poverty, wretchedness and premature death.

As it is fitly said in the Scriptures, "The glutton and the drunkard shall come to poverty, and drowsiness shall cloth a man with rags." God has not only stated this result of drinking, but he has written the condemnation also of the dealer in the traffic in the following strong and unequivocal language: "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that puteth the bottle to his lips also that thou mayest look upon their nakedness." And the Word also declares that the "drunkard" shall never enter the "Kingdom of Heaven." The results of this evil are simply alarming. We are paying in Tennessee to support this devastating foe, according to reliable statistics, the startling sum of \$18,000,000 per annum, being a sum equal to \$12.00 on every man, woman and child in the State, and fifteen times the amount we pay to support our schools and Churches. Official reports from our State penitentiary show 91 per cent. of its inmates committed their crimes while under the influence of alcohol. And yet the State of Tennessee is, from session to session of its General Assembly, giving license to this work of sorrow, poverty, shame and death, only for the revenue that it brings to the Treasury of the State. We protest against this sale of the people for naught, and most heartily endorse our present four-mile law as a step in the right direction, until public sentiment can be aroused to sweep this evil from the land by a constitutional amendment, prohibiting in this State the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage.

In view of all this, be it resolved by this Conference :

1. That we pledge ourselves to favor any amendment to our State laws that will procure Prohibition, and that we will continue to memorialize Legislature until this object is gained.
2. That we recommend to our people frequent reference to our declarations of principles on this subject, on page 54, paragraph 402, and section 36, of the Discipline, is the standard to be maintained throughout our Church.
3. That we will be loyal to the Church relation to tobacco, as advised in our Discipline, page 384.
4. That we strongly endorse the provision made in our

Sunday School literature in giving subjects for worthy temperance meetings, and urge our Sunday School Superintendents and workers to aid the pastors in holding these meetings, as one of the best means of creating a public sentiment against intemperance, and in saving the young people and the children to temperance, the Church and to Christ.

5. That we will not cease to work and to pray for the extermination of this great evil.

Resolved, That we request the Bishop to appoint Rev. G. W. Coleman, of the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, as State Temperance Lecturer, in accordance with a request coming from the Grand Deputy of Sons of Temperance, now in session in this city.

L. H. MASSEY, }
W. T. SENTER. } Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.....	\$160
Athens Station.....	100
Blue Spring.....	50
Cleveland Station.....	50
Ducktown.....	40
Ooltewah.....	100
Decatur.....	40
Madisonville.....	40
Cleveland Circuit.....	40
South Chattanooga.....	100
Total.....	\$720
GREENVILLE DISTRICT.....	\$100
Johnson City Circuit.....	70
Irwin.....	70
Parrottsville.....	60
Roan Mt. Circuit.....	100
Taylorsville.....	90
Total.....	\$490

KINGSTON DISTRICT.....	\$165
Sunbright.....	50
Crossville.....	50
Jamestown.....	50
Kingston Station.....	50
Kingston Circuit.....	50
Pikeville.....	50
Huntsville.....	60
Scarborough.....	50
Wolf River.....	50
Tracy City.....	50
Total.....	\$675
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.....	\$ 75
North Knoxville.....	300
Fair Garden.....	30
Newport.....	75
Thorn Grove.....	30
Total.....	\$510
POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.....	\$200
Clinton.....	50
Jacksboro.....	50
Maynardville.....	35
Rogersville.....	35
Rutledge.....	35
Sneedville.....	50
Tazewell.....	80
Jellico and Newcomb.....	80
Total.....	\$615
Grand Total.....	\$3000

I concur in the above appropriations.

THOS. BOWMAN, President.

Knoxville, Tenn., October 22, 1883.

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A STORY FOR LADIES.

One morning, in the spring of 1879, our friend S. A. Cunningham, of Nashville, Tenn., now publisher of "Our Day," an excellent monthly journal, located at No. 234 Broadway, New York City, came to our office accompanied by a gentleman whom he introduced as Rev. R. L. McElree, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

After an exchange of usual courtesies Mr. McElree was seated, and we listened to the following story, which he told with so much earnestness, that we were convinced he had either been imposed upon or else he had made a valuable discovery.

He related that in visiting some of his parishioners, a number of years before, his attention was directed to a singular variety of herbs in their possession, and he made inquiries regarding them. He was told that many years ago, during the early settlement of Tennessee, a kinsman of this family, emigrating from North Carolina, pitched his camp for a night in the Cherokee Nation's reservation in North Georgia, near an Indian village.

In his family was a girl about fifteen years old, just passing to womanhood. During the evening this girl was attacked by violent pains, which threw her into spasms. An old Indian squaw witnessed it, and, without a word, went to her wigwam, selected some herbs from her store, prepared a decoction, and administered it to the suffering girl. In five minutes the pain was entirely relieved.

The grateful mother of the girl begged of the squaw a small quantity of the herbs. Afterwards, when using them, she found a few seeds in a bud of the herbs, which she planted and raised from year to year for half a century.

The herbs that had attracted Mr. McElree's attention were descendants of this stock. He was told of their wonderful qualities in the cure of female complaints.

He carried some of the herbs away with him, and was astonished at their miraculous action in cases supposed to be incurable. He raised the herbs in his garden and furnished his neighbors and others with the wine made from them gratuitously for many years; but its reputation spread abroad, and the demand was beyond his limited means to supply. He then, at the solicitation of many friends, commenced putting the wine in bottles and offering it for sale, calling it McElree's Wine of Cardui, or Woman's Relief. But it required more time and attention than he could spare from his ministerial labors. He desired the Chattanooga Medicine Company to undertake its manufacture and sale; believing that, with their large means and facilities, they could put it within reach of every suffering woman in the land. He showed us letters from Rev. Dr. T. C. Blake, of Nash-

ville, Col. R. W. Pittman, of Tehuacana, Texas, Rev. Dr. Jno. S. Collins, of Memphis, and many other well known people, verifying his estimate of the wonderful value of the wine.

We told Mr. McElree if he would furnish us the formula and a quantity of material for making the wine, we would give it a trial; and if we found it equal to his representations we would do our best to put it within the reach of every woman in the world.

As soon as possible after we received the Cardui herbs we made a quantity of the wine, and sent some of it to nearly all of our customers in different States, instructing them to supply every lady they could hear of with a bottle of the wine, who was afflicted with any disease peculiar to females, GUARANTEEING A CURE, otherwise no pay was required.

About seven thousand cases were treated in this manner; and out of that vast number less than five hundred failures were reported, and many of these were diseases for which the wine was not recommended.

Letters came pouring in upon us by the hundreds, many of them relating wonderful cures performed by the wine. Ministers of the gospel, teachers, husbands, mothers, invalids who had been benefited, all told the same story.

An unlooked-for trouble now arose. The great demand for the wine had exhausted the supply of one of the necessary herbs used in its manufacture. We searched the country over for the herb, but could get none anywhere. It was unknown to dealers in herbs and diggers of roots. Our extensive advertising plans had to be stopped.

We are now, after three years, able to announce that we can supply the wine in any quantity, and we shall try to redeem our promise to Rev. Mr. McElree by letting every afflicted lady know of the virtues of McElree's Wine of Cardui.

We claim no credit for its discovery. The honor of introducing it to the public generally belongs to Rev. R. L. McElree, a humble minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

He is now in no way connected with its manufacture, and only interested in its introduction as an aid to ameliorate the sufferings of his fellow beings.

The wine has proved to be almost a specific in relieving ladies afflicted with painful monthly habit. It corrects irregularity of the return, whether of too short or too long intervals. It cures Whites, Falling of the Womb and is of great benefit during change of life. It is excellent for young girls from twelve to sixteen years of age. During pregnancy it imparts strength, purifies the blood and keeps the system in a healthy condition. We shall be glad to send our pamphlet telling all about it to any address, and will send a bottle of the wine on receipt of \$1.00.

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MEMOIRS.

REV. SPENCER HENRY.

Rev. Spencer Henry was born on Little River, in Blount county, Tenn., Oct. 24, 1805, and died at his earthly home, near Carpenter Camp-ground, in his native State and County, June 3, 1883. When a youth he professed saving faith in Jesus Christ and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. On the 6th day of August, 1832, he was granted license to exercise his gifts and graces as a local preacher, by a Quarterly Conference, held at Middle Creek Camp-ground, Sevier County, Tenn., of which Rev. James Cummings, of precious memory, was Chairman. On the 1st day of November, 1840, by the late Bishop Thomas A. Morris, D. D., in the city of Knoxville, Tenn., he was ordained Deacon, and on the 13th of October, 1844, he was ordained Elder at Reemes' Creek Camp-ground, N. C., by Bishop Edmond S. Jones. At Chattanooga, Tenn., October 12, 1868, in the 64th year of his life and 36th year of his ministry, he joined the Holston Annual Conference. For six years he was an active and efficient itinerant preacher. For more than 34 years he labored in the local ranks. After a long and useful life on earth, we believe he has triumphantly entered life eternal in heaven.

REV. E. Q. FULLER, D. D.

The Rev. Erasmus Q. Fuller, D. D., the subject of this sketch, was born in Carlton, N. Y., April 15th, 1828, and died in Atlanta, Ga., Tuesday evening, October 16th, 1883, aged fifty-five years. At the tender age of seven years he was powerfully impressed by the Holy Ghost, and, at the age of fourteen, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which, in after years, he became so conspicuous an official, and which he loved and served with unflinching devotion to the day of his death. Some time after joining the Church he entered the Conference Seminary at Adrian, Mich., where he applied himself assiduously. While studying at Adrian, he became acquainted with the late Dr. James V. Watson, editor of the Michigan Advocate, who invited him to a position on that paper. He after-

wards became assistant editor of the *Northwestern Advocate*, and for five years wielded great influence in the momentous questions of those days.

In December, 1856, he entered the Rock River Conference, and was appointed to Peru Station, which he served successfully for two years, when he was removed to Lee Center, an important charge. Having served that Church two years, also, he was appointed to take charge of the work in Elgin, a prosperous and growing town in Illinois. Here he did grand work for the Master, and aided in firmly establishing the Church on all lines of Christian endeavor. His next appointment was at Aurora, which he served one year, when he was made Presiding Elder of the Mendota District. At the expiration of his four years service in that District, he was appointed to the Dixon District, which he served one year, being transferred in September of that year (1868) to the Georgia Conference. The Methodist Episcopal Church had determined to aid the newly organized work in the Southern States, and by every God-given power in his possession to make its presence felt for God and humanity in the then chaotic, gloomy condition of society, Church and State. The *Methodist Advocate*, as the official organ of the Church, was issued January, 1869, with Dr. Fuller as editor, which position he filled with eminent ability for twelve years and a half.

Dr. Fuller was an efficient official, and sustained a prominent relation to the many great interests of the Church, especially in the Southern field. In 1868 he was elected to the General Conference in Chicago, and took an active part in the controversy respecting the districting of the Bishops, writing at that Conference the minority report which finally prevailed. In 1872 he represented the Georgia Conference in Brooklyn, and four years after, by a large Conference, he was unanimously elected to the General Conference in Baltimore. Loved and trusted by the Church, he served on the General Committee of Church Extension, the General Mission Committee, and when the great question arose between us and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, concerning Church property, he was appointed one of the Cape May Commissioners, whose set-

tlement of that important question has been formally accepted by the two great bodies of Methodism.

As an editor Dr. Fuller was strong and courageous, yet ever gentle and cautious. He defended, with surprising ability, the work and the policy of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South, and in no small degree contributed through his influence, both in Church and in State, to the present recognition of the rights of the Freedman. Nor as an educator was he the least in that noble band that have done, and are doing, so much for the Church in the South. He was deeply interested in the success of Clark University, and to him Gamman Theological school owes not a little. He earnestly looked forward to the completion of an educational system for the entire South and the founding of a Central University.

As an author Dr. Fuller was well known. No completer defense of the policy of any Church was, perhaps, ever written than "The Appeals to the Records."

As a preacher he was clear and forcible, a strong reasoner, an impassionate orator, often rising, in the earnestness of his soul, to a sublimity of style seldom surpassed.

In the Spring of 1883 the Methodist Advocate was suspended, and Dr. Fuller was appointed pastor of the Marietta-Street M. E. Church, Atlanta, Ga. On Tuesday, October 16, while returning from a pastoral call, he was suddenly called from the Church militant to the Church triumphant, to the presence of God and the holy angels. It is a wonderful coincidence that the last note of his last sermon was "Translation without Pain." Blessed be God, this grand hero of God passed suddenly, without pain, into the company of God's loved prophets and toilers, to the side of Gilbert, Haven and Cobleigh, fellow-workers in this our Southern field. By the side of Dr. Cobleigh the Rev. E. Q. Fuller lies in peace, their souls together in heaven, their bodies together in the grave.

R. J. COOKE.

J. A. RUBLE.

MRS. MARY J. WALKER.

Sister Mary J. Walker, wife of Rev. T. S. Walker and daughter of Abraham and Rebecca Carter, was born in Greene County, Tenn., February 18, 1842, and died February 13, 1883. March the 22d, 1865, she was united in marriage with Rev. T. S. Walker, an honored and worthy member of the Holston Conference M. E. Church, with whom she lived most happily for nearly eighteen (18) years. In her eleventh year she embraced religion and joined the Church, and thenceforward through life she was a Christian of the most exalted type.

She seemed to fully appreciate the privations and sacrifices incident to the wife of an itinerant minister, and when her failing health led her father to make the offer of a comfortable and permanent home, she declined to accept it, assigning as a reason that it was contrary to the itinerant idea, and might operate against her husband's usefulness.

In the home circle she was a model, keeping the fire burning on the family altar in the absence of her husband, whom duty called from home much of the time.

For twelve years she was an invalid; but, with strong faith in God, she was submissive, and was in deed a most beautiful example of Christian patience. Her piety was deep, earnest and uniform, and was exemplified by diligence in the Master's work.

Sister Walker was greatly beloved by all who knew her. During her last illness she spoke of the near approach of death, declaring frequently that it had no terrors to her. Well may we say, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

J. W. MANN, }
 J. A. RUBLE, } Committee.
 R. J. COOKE. }

MRS. JOSEPH MILBURN.

Sister Milburn, widow of the late Rev. Joseph Milburn, was born in Greene County, Tenn., May 13, 1801. She professed faith in Christ when quite young, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church upon the reorganization of our Church in East Tennessee. She immediately left the M. E. Church, South, and united with the Church of her choice, and up to the time of her decease she lived a true and faithful Christian. Her husband, the Rev. Joseph Milburn, was a member of the Holston Conference, and Sister Milburn shared with him the labors, trials and sacrifices of the itinerant life. While he was preaching Christ from the pulpit she worked for Christ at home. Her earnest Christian life in the home circle was fruitful of great good in the conversion of her children. She was faithful to her Church, her family and her God. She lived to a ripe old age, and quietly fell asleep in Jesus June 25, 1882. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

T. R. WEST.

DECEASED MEMBERS.

NAME.	BORN.	ADMITTED.	DIED.
Willis Ingle.....	1798.....	1838	October 29, 1867.
David Fleming	May 4, 1779.....	1824	August 28, 1868.
James Cumming.....	October 26, 1787....	1820	June 30, 1868.
W. A. Marshall.....	1819.....	1869	September 29, 1871.
W. H. H. Duggan.....	July 3, 1815.....	1855	August 11, 1872.
Joseph Milburn.....	January 23, 1800....	1865	January 18, 1873.
Isaac Fortner.....	1790.....	.....	April 7, 1873.
John Leach.....	.....	.....	1873.
Robert Clark.....	.....	1870	August 9, 1873.
Nelson E. Cobleigh.....	1814.....	1844	February 1, 1874.
Elijah Still.....	.....	1831	1875.
S. Patterson.....	.....	1868	1875.
M. H. B. Burket.....	January 11, 1811....	1864	November 12, 1875.
Wanser P. Fair.....	.....	.....	December 13, 1876.
Robert H. Guthrie.....	March 27, 1820.....	1850	May 20, 1881.
Geo. W. Heninger.....	.....	1874	April 23, 1881.
John Forrester.....	1801.....	1838	December 3, 1881.
Spencer Henry.....	October 23, 1805....	1868	June 3, 1883.

REPORTS OF TREASURERS.

*Report of the Treasurer of the Committee on Episcopal Fund
for the Year ending October, 1883:*

Chattanooga District.....	\$ 18 00
Greenville District.....	32 50
Knoxville District.....	29 45
Powell's Valley District.....	18 25
Kingston District.....	7 70
Total.....	\$105 90



Report of the Treasurer of the Holston Conference Educational Society of Collections for Education during the Year Ending October, 1883:

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.	KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.
Athens\$ 6 00	Campbell Station Circuit.....\$ 70
Blue Spring Circuit..... 75	Fair Garden Circuit..... 1 00
Chattanooga 2 00	Knoxville, Clinch St..... 3 75
Chattanooga Children's Day Col- lection..... 6 58	Knox Circuit..... 50
South Chattanooga 50	Loudon, receipt from J. F. Spence 3 10
Cleveland..... 2 00	Newmarket Circuit..... 50
Chatata..... 3 05	Newport Circuit..... 25
Ducktown Children's Day Col- lection..... 4 38	Sevierville Circuit..... 1 00
Decatur Circuit..... 50	Thorn Grove Circuit..... 1 00
Total .....\$25 76	Total .....\$11 80
Total cash received by Treasurer, \$12 80	Cash received by the Treasurer... 8 70
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.	POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.
Greeneville Station.....\$ 3 00	Clinton Circuit.....\$ 1 00
Jonesboro and Johnson City..... 4 30	Big Valley Circuit..... 1 00
Jonesboro Circuit..... 1 50	Jacksboro' Circuit (receipt) J. F. S. 1 35
Kingsport Circuit..... 1 00	Morristown..... 1 00
Parrottsville Circuit..... 50	Rogersville, Childrens' day col- lection (receipt)..... 3 75
Rheatown Circuit..... 2 00	Tazewell, Childrens' day collec- tion (receipt) 1 22
St. Clair Circuit..... 1 00	Total collection.....\$ 9 32
Taylorsville Circuit..... 75	Cash rec'd by the Treasurer..... 3 00
Total .....\$14 05	Total collections.. .....\$63 93
KINGSTON DISTRICT.	Total receipts from J. F. Spence. \$ 4 45
Crossville Circuit.....\$1 00	Total receipts from D. P. Kidder. 17 93
Jasper Circuit..... 1 00	Total receipts.....\$ 22 38
Pikeville Circuit..... 1 00	Caah received by the Treasurer..\$ 41 51
Total .....\$3 00	J. S. PETTY, <i>Treasurer.</i>

*Report of the Treasurer of the Conference Board of the Church
Extension for the Year Ending October, 1883.*

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.		Johnson City Circuit.....		2 50
Chattanooga.....	\$ 8 00	Jonesboro	4 00	
Chattanooga South.....	6 00	Jonesboro Circuit.....	3 00	
Athens	9 50	Kingsport.....	2 00	
Athens Circuit	8 50	Parrottsville	5 00	
Blue Springs.....	5 00	Rheatown.....	5 00	
atata.....	12 00	St. Clair.....	75	
Cleveland.....	3 00	Taylorville.....	6 00	
Cleveland Circuit	4 00			
Decatur	6 00	Total	\$47 25	
Ducktown.....	6 35			
Madisonville	8 00	KINGSTON DISTRICT.		
Ooltewah	6 00	Crossville	\$2 00	
Total	\$82 35	Dayton	5 00	
		Hamilton	5 00	
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.		Huntsville	5 35	
Campbell's Station.....	\$ 1 50	Jamestown	2 50	
Fair Garden	1 00	Jasper	5 00	
Knox Circuit.....	50	Kingston.....	5 00	
Knoxville 1st Church	9 00	Kingston Circuit.....	3 00	
London	2 00	Pikeville	2 50	
Little River.....	1 00	Scarboro	1 00	
Maryville	1 00	Wartburg ..	5 00	
Newport	10	Battle Creek	2 00	
New Market.....	6 00	Total	\$43 35	
New Salem.....	7 00	POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.		
Sevierville	7 00	Big Valley.....	\$ 1 00	
Thorn Grove	6 00	Clinton	7 50	
Total	\$36 10	Fincastle.....	10 00	
		Jacksborough.....	25	
GREENVILLE DISTRICT.		Morristown	2 00	
Elizabethtown.....	\$1 00	Rogersville.....	5 00	
Greenville	5 00	Rutledge.....	4 75	
Greenville Circuit.....	10 00	Tazeuall	1 95	
Irwin.....	3 00	Total	\$32 45	

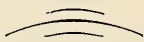
RECAPITULATION.

Chattanooga District.....	\$ 82 25
Greenville District	47 25
Kingston District.....	43 35
Powell's Valley District.....	32 45
Knoxville District	36 10
Total	\$236 40

T. H. HODGE, *Treasurer.*

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

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I have for many years past used in my family, and recommended to the families of my Congregation, as the best remedy I know of for Coughs, Colds and Incipient Consumption, Dr. Jayne's Expectorant and also Jayne's Sanative Pills as a remedy for Costiveness, Impurity of the Blood, Female Complaints, etc. My confidence in the great value of these medicines increase the longer I use them, and observe their health-restoring effects.—*Rev. Dr. Bowling, when Pastor of the Berean Baptist Church, New York.*

While performing the duties incident to my position as Presiding Elder of the Illinois Conference of United Bretheren, I was prostrated by a severe attack of Bronchitis that completely disabled me. Failing to get any better under medical treatment, my wife insisted on my trying Dr. Jayne's Expectorant. On my doing so, but a short time elapsed before I was convinced of the healing power of this medicine, being entirely cured and enabled to return to my labors.—*Rev. J. Terrel, Perryville, Jefferson County, Kansas.*

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RESOLUTIONS.

BISHOP BOWMAN.

Resolved, That this Conference highly appreciate the visit of Bishop Bowman during this session of our Conference. His clear judgement and gentler bearing has won our hearts, and we pray God's choicest blessings upon him, hoping that he may again come among us as our presiding officer.

R. J. COOKE.

INSTRUCTION TO GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

Resolved, That our Delegates to the General Conference are hereby instructed to vote against any change in the time limit.

WM. M. HASKELL.

GEO. W. COLEMAN.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the course of Rev. G. W. Coleman, and will give him a cordial welcome to our charges and our warmest co-operation.

S. TINKER.

TO R. J. COOKE, J. W. MANN, AND CITIZENS OF KNOXVILLE.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the labors of Rev. R. J. Cooke and J. W. Mann in providing for the entertainment of this Conference, and extend to them our sincerest thanks.

Resolved, That that the thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Knoxville, for the kind and hospitable manner in which we have been entertained during the the session of Conference.

N. G. TAYLOR.

TO THE PRESS OF KNOXVILLE.

Resolved, That we appreciate the ability of the Press of Knoxville, and hereby tender the thanks of the Conference for courtesies during its session in this city.

L. H. MASSEY.

TIME OF HOLDING CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That the Bishops be requested to fix the time of holding the sessions of this Conference not later than October 10th.

N. G. TAYLOR.

GRAND DIVISION SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, the Grand Division of the Sons Temperance

now in session in this city is doing a noble work for God and humanity; therefore,

Resolved, That this Conference is in hearty sympathy with this organization, and wish them God speed in their work.

R. J. COOKE.

G. W. COLEMAN.

**WESTERN BOOK CONCERN, THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL AGENT,
AND EDITOR ADVOCATE.**

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due the Rev. Dr. Stowe, of the Western Book Concern and the Rev. A. H. Gillett, A. M., our Sunday-School Agent for the West and the South; also the Rev. T. C. Carter, A. M., editor Methodist Advocate, for their presence and words of cheer, and that the same are hereby most heartily tendered.

L. H. MASSEY.

THE CHOIR.

Resolved, That we hereby tender our thanks to the Choir of this church for the most excellent music furnished.

L. H. MASSEY.

TO THE SECRETARIES.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge our obligations to the Secretaries of the Conference for their proupt and effective services.

J. A. RUBLE.

TO THE RAILROADS.

Resolved, That we extend to the officers of the E. T., Va., and Georgia Railroads, our grateful thanks for reduced fare over their Roads during the session of this Conference.

J. A. RUBLE.

COLLECTIONS.

Resolved, That our collections be taken in the same order as last year.

R. PIERCE.

APPOINTMENTS.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to appoint J. F. Spence as President of, and L. B. Caldwell as Professor in East Tennessee Wesleyan University; J. C. Wright, as Principal of Warren College, and J. S. Hill as Principal of Morristown Seminary.

WM. M. HASKELL.

“IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.”

Acts xx, 35.

ABSTRACT OF THE SERMON BY BISHOP BOWMAN, REPORTED BY THE SECRETARY.

I AM not here to preach a collection sermon, for the collection has already been taken up. I remember the embarrassment I felt when I was young in trying to believe this text; how I was perplexed with the thought, Who believes “it is more blessed to give than than to receive”? And, I began to question the translation,—for there are a few mistranslations in the Bible, but only a very few,—and I thought it perhaps ought to read, It is more blessed to receive than to give.

I then began to inquire when and where, and why Paul said these words. It is necessary, always, to know the surroundings of the speaker in order to fully comprehend his words. It is so common to read only a part of what is said. To tell only part of the truth is to lie. In telling what people say we should always tell all, or else should tell none. One day I read what a certain woman said in a newspaper; I was shocked, and said, If those are her sentiments my mind abhors them. Afterwards, I saw a full report of her words, and they were such that I gladly commended them.

Now, Paul says: “Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.” I wanted to find how Christ happened to use these words, where it was and when it was, because I was perplexed by the strangeness of the words, for I was then young. I read all four of the Gospels, but could not find any that read exactly that way. I then remembered that the Gospel said that they did not contain all that Christ had said. St. John says: “There are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written, every one the world itself, would not contain the books,” by which he means that the Gospels contain but small part of what Christ did and said.

It was impossible to write down all that Christ said, or all that any public man says. Boswell never wrote but a few words of what Johnson said, notwithstanding his painstaking effort to narrate his sayings from day to day. There must have been thousands of Christ’s sayings in common use in the time of Paul,—sayings not written down, but nevertheless well authenticated. And I am bound to believe that when Paul says Christ uttered the words of my text, he told the truth.

Paul was passing along the coast when he had this talk. He appealed to his own life, and was teaching one of the great—no, not one of the great, but the great truth that man ought to consecrate all that he has and all that he is, to God.

He was also trying to show the falseness of the doctrine that we can square our accounts with the Almighty. I once read that General Sherman said that if men would do only half as well as they knew how, it would be all right with them. But I think Sherman would not have stood long at the head of his army if he had contented himself with allowing his men to do only half of what they knew how to do. How would a report from him like this have sounded: “My men are doing only half as well as they know, and I am satisfied with that”? And God will not be satisfied with any of his soldiers who is only doing half as well as they know how.

We had a very wealthy preacher, once, who gave very little to the church. We don’t have many wealthy preachers in our church. But I will not mention his name. So it was, he would give but little compared with his ability. I asked him

once, why he didn't give more. He said: "Haven't I dedicated myself to the church? Isn't that enough?" "No, Brother Pierce (I beg pardon, I didn't intend to use your name), you must give of your wealth. You must dedicate not only yourself but your wealth to God." He was a grand orator, and many a sermon of power have I heard fall from his lips, and yet he never accomplished, as I thought, all the good he had power to accomplish. We must consecrate to God not only our talents but our wealth.

I once heard of a boat captain who had a pious wife. The regular preacher was absent, and a new preacher was to fill his pulpit. She didn't want to take advantage of this fact to stay at home as some people do. She went to church and took her husband with her. When the new preacher appeared in the church his text dropped out of his memory. He couldn't remember it. This wouldn't have happened if he had used written sermons. Another text pressed upon his mind. He tried to cast it off and recall his chosen text. He could not do so. The new text demanded his attention. He resolved to preach from it. And as he poured forth the thoughts suggested by this new text the captain sunk lower and lower into his seat, and finally, with tears in his eyes, he turned to his wife, and said: "My doctrine and manner of life won't do." And when he went back to his ship the bottles and cards went overboard, and he became a converted man.

I am talking of giving—Christian giving. That is giving whatever is needed according to the particular emergency. Every little child knows how blessed it is to receive. We are a bundle of wants; and we are so constructed that whenever one of those wants is gratified we receive pleasure.

God has so made us, that, whenever a legitimate want is legitimately satisfied, pleasure is the result. Hunger is a want, and eating is a pleasure. When we become tired it is a pleasure to sleep. I never stretch my limbs between nice white sheets at night after a hard day's work, such as we preachers often go through, without thanking God for the blessed boon of sleep.

But while the gratification of these wants give pleasure, how insignificant that pleasure is compared with the pleasure of giving,—the pleasure of contributing towards the wants of others!

When I was a teacher, one of my students came to me with a sorrowful face, and asked for leave of absence. I saw that grief was in his heart. "Is your father sick?" I asked. "No, sir." "Your mother?" "No, sir." "Brother or sister?" "No, sir." "Well, what is the matter?" "My pocket is empty," he sorrowfully answered. "How much do you need?" I inquired. "Fifty dollars." It so happened that Bro. De Pauw had just put that amount in my hands for purposes of charity. I told this poor student I would give it to him. He raised his hands, intending to hug me, I think; but, doubting whether that would do, he put them on my shoulders, and said, "May God bless you, and may God bless Brother De Pauw!" That young man is now one of the great men in the church, and God only knows how his destiny has been shaped by that generous gift of Bro. De Pauw.

We have many wants. We want sympathy. I want the sympathy, the good will of everybody. I can't help it, and I don't want to help it. I want my neighbor to think well of me, and I even want my neighbor's dog to think well of me, and not bark or snap at me as I pass.

Once during the war, while my sons were in the army, I became despondent about them. It seemed to me that nobody cared for me, not even my wife. I went

to the post-office, and there was a letter from an old friend, asking to exchange photographs with me. "Why, there is somebody after all, who cares for me!" I thought, and the load of my despondency fell off my heart. I went home feeling happier, and all was soon bright again.

We must all look to each other; we are bonnd together and need each other's sympathy. I ask any one in this Conference to give me a single passage in the Bible that says it is blessed to receive, or that the receiver is blessed. Whereas, there are many texts showing that it is blessed to give.

Activity is the law of our nature. Boys delight in activity; they must be doing; they can't keep still. I remember a girl who once came to my house with her mother; she insisted on climbing a tree. Her mother entreated her not to do so, but she would persist. Finally I prevailed on her to come into the house. I gave her scissors, paper and pictures, and told her to cut me some pictures out of the paper; and for two hours you would not have known what she was about. You see she had to be in motion. Activity is the law of our existence. If you wish to strengthen your arm you must use your arm. If you wish to develope your memory you must use your memory. If you wish to improve your judgment you must use your judgment. So, as you coniiine to do acts of benevolence, you become more benevolent, the pleasure of giving increases, your love for your fellows becomes greater, and giving becomes a blessing indeed. It gives us a pleasure, not only to do good to men, but even to animals, even down to the helping of a dog.

The pleasure we receive from doing good to others is greater, often, than the pleasure of those who receive our kindnesses. I remember a Christmas-tree occasion at my house. How anxious the little ones were to get into the room where the tree was. And when they were admitted, and the wonderful tree met their sight how they shouted with delight! and how my boy rolled over the floor in ecstasy! I thought, "Now I am happier than all—than anybody in the room;" but on looking into my wife's eyes I saw she was happier than I. It was her gift, and hers the blessing.

There are more things to give than what supply our animal wants. We can give our blessing, our prayers, our good wishes, our kind words, our good offices, our friendly smiles. But we must not stop here. When we pray for a cause we must help that cause all we can. It is no use to pray for the heathen unless we give of our means to help these heathen, to send them the word of God and a preecher. The act must follow the wish, and the wish without the act is not the half of what is required. If those young men who are so kind as to stand and listen to me, will consecrate some part of their earnings to the good of their fellow men; if they will devote some of their leisure to the well-being of their fellows, they will find themselves standing better in the estimation of themselves, their fellows, and their God. You belong to mankind, and are linked to them. Good wishes and good deeds help to build up character, a good character and a good man.

It is not wealth that makes a man; it is a grand heart, a noble soul, a divine spirit, a godlike character. I want to grow on and grow ever. Heaven would be no heaven for me if there was nothing for me to do there. I want to continue my work there, working forever and forever. Part of the work on high is, perhaps, to look over and pray for us poor mortals down here.

The fireat Washingtonian temperance movement—how did it begin? An elegant lady passing along the street saw a man lying dead drunk on the pavement,

his face exposed to the gaze of the passers-by. Moved by compassion she spread her white handkerchief over his face and went on. When he awoke he noticed the handkerchief and kept it. Becoming sober he read the lady's name on it. He went to her residence and asked her if it was her handkerchief; she said it was, and told him she had put it over his face. The circumstances touched his heart. He fell upon his knees, and then and there vowed to God never to taste liquor again. Right then and there the great Washingtonian temperance movement began—a movement that wrought so much blessedness. Such is the power of sympathy and love on the human heart. The purest joys of human life are those that come from doing good. All other joys are low and sordid compared with them.

The great work of the ministry is giving,—giving sympathy, giving kind words, giving love, giving good counsel, giving the word of God; and in thus giving they realize the truth of the text, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”



CHURCH EXTENSION ANNIVERSARY,

Held Wednesday night, October 17, 1882. Hon. J. W. Ramsey, President of the Conference Board, made a few short and pointed remarks explanatory of the duties and objects of the Church Extension Society, after which Bishop Bowman was introduced, and, in a pointed, business-like manner, made a brief review of the history of this part of the church, and spoke of the great necessity of building up new churches and cultivating more of a missionary spirit among us.

Rev. Dr. Stowe then in a few brief and well chosen remarks added much to the interesting addresses made before.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY,

Held Thursday night, October 18, 1882. After singing the familiar hymn, “From Greenland's Icy Mountains,” prayer was offered, and Rev. Mr. Hodge, President of the Conference Missionary Society, in a few encouraging words stated the object of the meeting, the aims of the society, and referred briefly to the great work performed, concluding by introducing Bishop Bowman to the congregation.

The venerable bishop's address was replete with interesting

allusions to the great work of missions, and was listened to with deepest attention. He was glad, he said, to be able to address the members of Holston Conference upon the important subject of missionary work. He saw Rev. Mr. Carter present, whom he met in Shanghai while in that field of labor, and who would relate his experience to the congregation. He impressed upon the church the importance of every one giving something—be the amount ever so small—and the aggregate would surprise the most sanguine worker. The bishop proceeded to give a most interesting history of the society, which was organized in 1819, the operations for some time being confined to destitute fields near home, among the Indians, etc. Eventually Rev. Mr. Cox visited Africa, India and other heathen lands. The bishop paid a merited tribute to woman's work and explained how, from personal observation of the conditions of society in China, the missionary labors of woman were fruitful of the greatest results. The bishop also gave an interesting account of his visits to Germany, France and Italy, and was surprised to have found never more than 150 worshippers at one time in St. Peter's Church, Rome.

At the conclusion of Bishop Bowman's address, Rev. Mr. Carter, formerly a missionary in China, was introduced, who, after referring to his early experience in the ministry, gave an interesting account of his extended visit to the land of the Celestials, and the evidences that Providence had not rendered his labors useless.

**FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY AND EDUCATIONAL
ANNIVERSARY,**

Held Friday night, October 19, 1882, at 8 o'clock, was the anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Conference Educational Society, Rev. J. F. Spence presiding.

Professor L. B. Caldwell made a brief and pointed talk about the duties and work of the committee of which he was a member.

Rev. Dr. Stowe, of Chicago, delivered a short and pointed address.

Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., of Cincinnati, delivered one of the most interesting addresses of the Conference, and spoke favor-

ably of the early erection of the Central University at Chattanooga.

The doxology was then sung, and the benediction pronounced by C. B. Sparrow.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE TEMPERANCE SOCIETY,

Held Saturday night, October 20, 1883. The meeting was presided over by Rev. L. H. Massey, who, after prayer and singing, stated that the speakers for the occasion would be limited to a few minutes each, as it was the intention to adjourn at 9 o'clock. This prevented a general discussion, but resulted in some very pointed remarks by Rev. Geo. W. Coleman, Rev. L. B. Caldwell, Rev. Dr. Gillett, Rev. Dr. Stowe, and Professor W. F. McCarron.

Mr. Coleman confined his remarks to the drinking customs prevailing in society and especially in the church. He claimed that the sin for which the church expelled members was not the sin of drinking, but of getting drunk. He claimed very pointedly that herein lied a great need of more stringent church legislation. The discipline anticipated well, but the church policy was not strict enough in requiring total abstinence as the only safeguard from final drunkenness. Mr. Coleman's remarks were interspersed with a vein of anecdote, and upon the whole were regarded as eminently practical.

Dr. Caldwell's remarks were cut short by stating that he would give way to others. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Gillet, general agent of the Sunday-school work. Dr. Gillet is a polished speaker, and proceeded with his remarks like a man who had come from the battle-fields of Iowa, Kansas and Ohio. He stated that but a few days ago he was in Dakota, and had recently traveled from ocean to ocean; hence, he was able to judge somewhat of public sentiment of the liquor traffic. He regarded the outlook of the temperance cause as most propitious of final success. The church should congratulate itself upon the outlook, and the noble stand it has taken upon the great issue involved in Kansas, Iowa and the North generally. His remarks were animated, pointed, and from the applause given, clearly indicated, that prohibition was what the audience wanted.

Dr. Stowe in his brief remarks waded squarely into the arena of politics so far as to say that the election in Ohio was lost to the prohibitionists, no less than to the Republican party, by the ultra fanatical prohibitionists who insisted upon the nomination of a ticket of their own, instead of working squarely in the ranks of the real friends of the second amendment. He spoke emphatically against such a course and showed that in Iowa and Kansas prohibition was carried by demanding of the political parties the recognition of its principles. Dr. Stowe was cheered heartily, and was followed by Professor McCarron, the general agent of the Southern States for the National Division Sons of Temperance. Mr. McCarron came directly to the point by stating that one of the troubles of temperance work for many years, seemed to be in not getting its friends united upon a single line of policy, but the recent vote of 320,000 in Ohio indicates that this trouble is soon to be settled. He stated that he was a delegate to the Prohibition Convention recently held in Nashville, Tenn., and was happy to have the opportunity of advertising the fact to such an audience of ministers that the policy of that convention was precisely such as Dr. Stowe had recommended; that the prohibitionists of Tennessee were settling upon the policy, and have a line of work mapped out to the end of electing representatives to our next Legislature who will be in favor of submitting a constitutional amendment to the people of Tennessee. Professor McCarron gave some forcible illustrations of the remarkable change of public sentiment upon other questions of public policy, and drew a picture of the attitude of the country upon the slavery question when the war broke out, and affirmed that the hand of God was as clearly seen in this question as in that. He spoke of the inconsistency of the liquor dealers' argument about "sumptuary laws," etc., and then explained the origin of our four mile law. He stated that the gentleman is now living in this city who introduced the law originally for the benefit of a certain college and manufacturing establishment, but that the law as then applied was declared unconstitutional, and amended with the particular knowledge of the liquor dealers, else they would have opposed it; he stated that fully one half of Tennessee is now under prohibition, by this four mile law, from the fact that people soon

saw that if it was a good thing for one neighborhood, it was equally so for another, and thus of their own accord, the people have, step by step, been educating themselves up to the point of practical prohibition more forcibly than a thousand lectures could have done. He therefore urged the necessity of a strict enforcement of the four-mile law, and that it should never be touched by amendment or modification until the time comes when we may have the opportunity of voting on a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor as a beverage in Tennessee.



PRESIDING ELDERS' REPORTS.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

Good health and ability to labor faithfully and continuously have been enjoyed by all the preachers of the district with two exceptions. The pastor at Cleveland had his church closed for three months by the municipal authorities during the prevalence of the small-pox. Our work in Chattanooga was only slightly interrupted from the same cause, though the small-pox prevailed there more extensively. The preachers have generally labored with great fidelity and success.

Five appointments have been added to the Ducktown Circuit, making a charge with eight appointments and a membership of one hundred and fifty-seven—an increase for the year of fifty-seven members.

By his devotion to his work, Brother Miller has endeared himself to the people to that extent that the members of all denominations and the community generally, outside of all churches, desire his return.

Rev. J. F. M. Duggan has supplied the Madisonville charge. He is a local preacher and is respected and loved by the people. A revival spirit prevailed on the Circuit the latter part of the year, resulting in some ninety conversion and a goodly number of accessions to the church.

Brother Baker has labored with entire acceptability on Athens Circuit. His pastoral work has been eminently owned of God. One hundred and thirty-five have been added to the church the past year.

The revival spirit was prevalent on the Chatata Circuit from the beginning of the year. About one hundred and twenty-five were converted and one hundred and twenty-two were added to the membership. Brother Stone has labored with maked zeal and ability and his evangelical labors were blessed as above stated.

On Decatur Circuit Brother W. T. Jones' energy and perseverance have secured a prosperous year. The people are much attached to him, have sustained him and stood by him. Their united labors resulted in seventy-one conversions and sixty-four additions. On the five circuits I have named already there have been in the aggregate nearly five hundred conversions. "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord."

Two revival meetings of much interest and proffit were held in Athens last fall and winter—one in the college chapel, the other, a union meeting, in the M. E. Church South. These resulted in several additions to the M. E. Church.

There have been fifty happily converted on the Ooltewah Circuit and over thirty on the Blue Springs work; also thirty conversions on the South Chattanooga charge. In Chattanooga there have been accessions to the church every quarter, so that the membership has nearly or quite doubled during Dr. Man-ker's pastorate.

On the Cleveland Station some members have been added to the church through pastoral labor without any special revival effort. The church in Cleveland is very liberal. They stand nobly by their pastor and the outlook is cheerful and hopeful.

There have been revival meetings at two points on Cleveland Circuit and several professions.

The conversions in the district, including the additions where conversions were not reported, amount to something over six hundred. To God be all the glory.

I prefer to speak of our church building enterprises separately:

The lumber for the Croft's Church, Ducktown Circuit, is ready and most of it on the ground. This church will be put up this fall. The Marshall Church was put up last summer, but blown down by a severe storm. The lumber was but little injured. This building will go up again this fall. The church building enterprise at Short's has been taken in hand in earnest. A fourth church for this charge is planned near the Ocoee river, some four miles out of Ducktown.

On Madisonville Circuit—Most of the lumber for Mt. Arnon church, near the Phillips School House, is on the ground.

A very solid foundation is laid and the church is to be put up and covered this fall, if not finished. At Coker Creek \$300 have been subscribed for a new church—the site is selected and work commenced on a church 30x50.

At Milligan's, near the Tellico river, and at Mar's Hill church building enterprises are in hand. I will only enumerate our other church building plans and enterprises: They are at Hornsby's on Blue Springs—at Rocky Springs and Bethany on the Decatur Circuit—at Persimmon Grove and Baker's on the Athens Circuit, and in Athens a church and chapel united, a beautiful and commodious structure is already under roof. This is a brick church and will cost \$3,000 to \$4,000 when finished.

Lumber is ready for a church at Price's, on the Cleveland Circuit. We have church building enterprises at Birchwood, O'Brien's on the Cut-off railroad line between Ooltewah and Red Clay; also at Harrison and Padgett's on the Ooltewah Circuit. At Missionary Ridge and at the foot of Lookout Mountain and in South Chattanooga are important enterprises. These last named fourteen enterprises are in different stages of progress. The church at Persimmon Grove, known as Houk's chapel, is weatherboarded and painted outside and is a very neat structure. For some the lumber is ready, for others it is on the ground. In other cases we are delayed in securing sites with good titles. We have dedicated Harle's Chapel this year. This was done by Bishop Warren May 27th. This is a good church, worth \$1,000.

A Union Church was dedicated at Pleasant Grove in May also. We have a half interest in this latter church.

X The church in Chattanooga is still incomplete, but going forward as rapidly as such a heavy undertaking could be expected to. The stone work all around is nearly finished except the main tower and spire. This church will be massive yet grand and beautiful and very convenient and commodious. It will stand as long as the rock-ribbed mountains stand—an enduring and eternal monument of the matchless leadership and skill of the pastor and of the devoted love and tireless industry of the church in Chattanooga.

Add South Chattanooga, where we are now looking for a site, and we have twenty-five churches completed, planned or in hand and which, when completed, will cost \$40,000 to \$50,000.

In July I submitted a proposition to Dr. Kynett to build twenty country churches if we could get an average donation of \$100 for each. He spread that proposition before the general church in the July Manual, and wrote me that, if any church

or individual should respond, we should have the benefit of such response, the same as those churches built by the aid of the \$250 donations made under Chaplain McCabe's plan and proposition for frontier churches. These would come as special donations outside of our regular Conference church extension work.

Having gone somewhat into details under the heads of revivals and church building enterprises, I will now speak of other forms of Church work in a more summary manner: Owing to so much church building, I should not be surprised if our benevolent collections should fall below what they would be if we were building few or no churches. If we put \$45,000 into churches in two or even three years, we must be in a measure excused from pressing our people very much for benevolences or until these churches are built and this church building era has passed.

Notwithstanding our heavy expenses as above stated, ministerial support has advanced on some charges and will be little, if any, behind former years on the others.

I have given attention to the subject of class meetings. On the most of our circuits a decided advance has been made on this line of Christian activity.

I now organize wherever I go, the Sunday-schools into missionary societies, and leave a list of the literature needed to run them successfully.

The instruction of children and church literature are receiving attention. There is an advance at some points on this line. On one charge over fifty copies of the *Chattanooga Methodist Advocate* are taken. On the South Chattanooga charge at Missionary Ridge the children have been put into a class and are being trained in a very interesting and successful manner.

We have good Sunday-schools in Athens, Cleveland, Ducktown, Chattanooga, and at Harle's Chapel, Red Hill, and at some other points I might name; but there is room for great improvement in many of our schools. Rev. W. H. Rogers has labored in his department this year, and will, at the proper time, present his report to the Conference.

Our educational work is prospering. The East Tennessee Wesleyan University seems to be putting on new strength. A report from this school will be presented. A most beautiful and commanding site for the Central University, Chattanooga, has been purchased near Fort Wood, and lying between Vine and McCallie Streets. For this, \$30,000 have been paid, the deed secured, and Dr. Rust reports \$15,000 available with which to commence a building.

I cannot refrain from speaking of the great kindness and cordiality of both preachers and people manifested toward myself. Also, of the great interest and the spirit of enterprise shown by our lay brethren in our church work. I close by saying that the outlook of our work is inspiring. The year closed with the shout of victory ringing along the whole line. "The Lord of Hosts is with us."

R. PIERCE.



GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

In the prosecution of my work as presiding elder of the Greeneville District, I have traveled during the year about 2,536 miles, have presided over forty-eight quarterly conferences, one district conference, and have preached about 150 sermons.

This district comprises thirteen (13) pastoral charges and extends over seven (7) counties of upper East Tennessee. With the exception of Greenville station, which was left to be supplied, pastors were appointed over the various charges at the last session of conference, and remained in charge during the year. I supplied Greenville station with Brother J. J. Robinette, a member of the conference who was in school at Athens and sustained a supernumerary relation without appointment. He took charge of the work about December 1, and remained during the year, giving general satisfaction as a preacher, pastor, and an earnest, devoted, Christian man. He reports ten (10) conversions, thirty (30) accessions, collections all taken and aggregating \$70. The spiritual interests of the charge have advanced considerably.

Greeneville circuit has been acceptably and faithfully served by Brother J. P. Milburn. Glorious revivals have been enjoyed at various points, and as the result 132 conversions and ninety-four accessions to the church are reported. The financial interests have not been proportionately advanced. There is, I am sorry to state, a considerable deficiency in the claims for ministerial support, and the benevolent collections are, for such a circuit, shamefully small. There is no circuit in the conference, so far as my knowledge extends, which can boast of so many excellent and attractive houses of worship as are to be found within the bounds of the Greeneville circuit. In July last the society at what was known as "Henshaw's," presented to the Lord, free of debt, a handsome brick church, elegantly furnished, in which the district conference was held: A revival of wonderful power and magnitude has since then been enjoyed

and the membership greatly encouraged and strengthened.

At what is termed Speedwell, on this circuit, there is a new church in course of erection, which it is hoped, with a little aid from the Church Extension Society, to have completed in a short time. This is a small class and very weak financially, and greatly needing the aid it asks of the Board of Church Extension. Brother Milburn has certainly devoted to his work his time and best energies, and if the salary of the faithful minister was always paid, as it should be, he would not be compelled to report a deficiency as is the case. A number of the classes paid, as they invariably do, their full assessment, others did not pay one-half.

Parrottsville circuit was in charge of Brother R. C. Robertson, whose family resides within the bounds of the Knoxville district. Sickness and family affliction kept him away from the work a considerable part of the year, but, so far as he could, he has served the charge faithfully and well. The deficiency in the claim of the pastor is considerable, owing, as I am convinced, chiefly to the fact of the irregularity in meeting his appointments, which, under the circumstance, were unavoidable. One year ago a new church enterprise was reported as already begun in Parrottsville. I went there in January last to hold my first quarterly meeting on this charge, and was surprised to find that nothing had been done toward a church enterprise but *talk*. During the year a desirable lot has been purchased and deeded to trustees of the M. E. Church, a large part of the material for building has been procured, and the contract for a neat and attractive church has been awarded, and I trust that within a few months we will have a church home in Parrottsville. The benevolent collections on this charge were small, but in some instances the amount assessed was raised, and the aggregate is about thirty per cent. over last year.

Brother E. B. Clark has been in charge of the St. Clair circuit, and although I have not received from him a detailed report, I can state that considerable gain has been made in the membership during the year; especially is this true of the class at Zion, in the neighborhood of which is located Oakland Seminary,—one of the most flourishing district schools in the Conference,—here a revival meeting of several weeks duration was enjoyed, resulting in the conversion of a large number of students and of several heads of families. We have but few churches of our own in this work, school-houses are used by us and by other denominations also for worship. This I regard as a great drawback, and one of the reasons why there is not greater permanent growth and development in the essential

elements of true moral strength in this and other circuits in this district. There is a constant inspiration in a neat, attractive, and comfortable church home. The benevolent collections are hardly a tithe of what they should be, but there is little deficiency in the claims for ministerial support.

The Rheatown Circuit has been served by Brother T. B. Russell, who has labored faithfully and acceptably. No conversions are reported, and but fourteen accessions to the church by certificate and from probation. The spiritual condition of the charge as evidenced in attendance upon the means of grace and manifest interest in church work is fairly good. The financial report will exhibit a slight advance in collections for benevolence and for ministerial support. So far as regards the pastor the advance is considerable.

Jonesboro' Circuit has been supplied by Brother George B. Cox, who has done efficient work. He reports thirty-five conversions and forty accessions to the church. The benevolent collections were about the same as last year; the receipts for ministerial support, somewhat greater. A new church at Asbury is nearly completed.

Jonesboro' and Johnson City Station has been in charge of Brother L. H. Massey, who has completed three years of service, laboring with a zeal and earnestness which have been unremitting and productive of substantial results. We have now at Johnson City, about ready for dedication, one of the most attractive and comfortable churches in that growing city, the erection of which is, to a large degree, the result of his unwearied efforts. We have also a society full of courage and promise, destined in a few years to be one of the most flourishing and desirable in the Conference. As is known to the Conference, the church at Jonesboro' was destroyed by fire August 10th. Since which time, through the fraternal courtesy and kindness of the brethren of the M. E. Church, South, we have occupied their house of worship two sabbaths in each month, they having been for the greater part of the time without a pastor. Efforts are being made to rebuild the church there, which, for the perpetuity of our organization, must be done; but, unless they are liberally aided, the brethren there can have no reasonable hope of accomplishing such a result. They are willing to do much, but are too few and weak to raise such a burden. The financial report is, under all the circumstances a good one, aggregating nearly \$40.00 for benevolences and the claims for ministerial support fully met.

Brother J. L. Cardwell has been in charge of the Johnson City Circuit during the past three years. I cannot give a detailed report of the year's work. There has been some gain at

several points where protracted meetings were held. From the reports made at the quarterly conferences, I am assured that the financial exhibit will be far from creditable. Some of the classes have done little or nothing while others have exceeded their assessment.

Brother F. H. Little, has, for three years as a supply, been in charge of Ewin Circuit. This is to a great extent a mountain circuit; there is not, so far as I have seen, a comfortable or attractive house of worship on the charge. Classes are organized and worship is held in school-houses, which are as a general thing, log structures, small, unpleasant, and uninviting. Efforts are being made to build a church in Ervin, which it is hoped, will be successful; already an eligible lot has been secured.

Brother Little reports eighty-six accessions to the church and seventy-eight conversions during the year. As might be expected, very little was paid for ministerial support, and the benevolent collections were small. The Sunday-schools are all Union schools.

Brother G. W. Jarvis was in charge of Elizabethtown Station, and has done faithful service, though in the face of many discouragements. This is a small society, and financially weak, but has received the entire services of the pastor. It is unable, unless liberally aided by a missionary appropriation, to support a pastor. It, however, more than met its assessment for ministerial support. There is a good church here, now free of debt, and there is only needed to insure prosperity a consecration of heart, energy and money to the service of the Master. I have no report of the benevolent collections, though I am sure they are much better than last year.

Fall Branch Circuit has been in charge of Brother J. H. Jennings, who reports seventy-conversions and fifty-eight accessions. The benevolent collections are about the same as last year, aggregating about \$17.00. This is one of the largest circuits numerically, in the district, and ought to be one of the best in the Conference. A very attractive little church at Sulphur Spring Camp Ground was dedicated in September. Two or three other church enterprises are much needed, and it is to be hoped that during the next year they will be completed.

Kingsport Circuit, which has been served by Brother S. G. Ketson during the past two years is, in important particulars, a model circuit. It makes liberal promises for the support of its ministers, and it pays in full what it promises to pay. All the collections were taken. The Sunday-school cause receives special attention; our literature is generally used. The attendance upon the quarterly meetings on the part of official members

is better than on any other circuit of which I have any knowledge. The pastor reports sixty-five conversions and fifty-six accessions during the year.

Taylorville Circuit was in charge of Brother J. A. Nicholson, from whom I have not received a report further than that the claims for ministerial support were paid in full, and that the benevolent collections were in the aggregate about the same as last year. This is the only pastoral charge we have in Johnson County, and I am confident that if the proper steps are taken, we can, in a year or two, by cultivating territory now unoccupied by us, have two charges, either of which will be as strong as the present one. Taylorville and the Societies on the Laurel Creek ought to form one charge, and for the present the remainder of the circuit should be organized into another, which, however, would need for a time a missionary appropriation of \$75.00 or \$100.00, to enable the pastor to live comfortably; but, when thoroughly organized, would be self-supporting.

Several church enterprises on this charge are being discussed; a subscription of about \$1,000.00 has been raised for a church at Deep Spring on the Laurel, a beautiful site has been secured, and during the next year we trust that a good building will be erected. Experience and observation lead us to the conclusion that those parties who live within the bounds of their charges are better supported and are more efficient than those who live remote from their work. In view of this we think that every circuit should be urged to procure a comfortable parsonage, centrally located, where their pastor could have a desirable home while serving them, and where his people could readily reach him with supplies as his needs required. Itinerating around a farm is not the most profitable, either for the preacher or for the church to which he sustains the relation of a pastor. The preacher is, as a general thing, poorly paid, and to church unsatisfactorily served.

J. S. PETTY, *P. E.*

OCTOBER 17TH, 1833.



KINGSTON DISTRICT.

Kingston and Rockwood compose one pastoral charge, to which F. M. Cones was appointed last fall. He went on in due time, took hold vigorously, made a fine impression, and bade fair to do a grand year's work, but the sudden and sad death of his brother in Thorntown, Ind., made it necessary that he

should abandon the work and repair thither to care for an aged and infirm mother. I then employed Rev. J. C. Harmon, a young local preacher, who was engaged in the mercantile business. He did all the preaching necessary, but, under the circumstances, could do but little pastoral work. However, we have held our our own, and made some little progress. We have good church property in Kingston, now, for the first time, out of debt, and they have a good Sunday School well supplied with our own literature.

At Rockwood we have no church property, but have a small membership, and some most excellent people, devoted to the Church, and willing to do all they can for Christ and his cause. Collected for benevolent purposes, last year, \$12 50; this year, \$18 55.

KINGSTON CIRCUIT.

This lies in Roane County, and has nine appointments, with a membership of 225, but for the most part financially poor, and may be set down as one of the weakest and least hopeful fields in the District. However, we have some good Churches on this charge, of our own, and worship peacefully in some others not our own. H. H. Burke has served this charge as pastor the present year, much to the satisfaction of the people generally, but with no great amount of fruit. Conversions, 6; accessions, 6; Sunday Schools, 3; Bevevolent collections, last year, \$13 60; this year, \$10 00.

SCARBORO.—T. H. RUSSELL, PASTOR.

This Circuit embraces part of Knox, Anderson and Roane Counties. During the year there has been a good deal of religious interest. Revivals at several points, resulting in 35 conversions and about the same number of additions. The spiritual state of the Circuit is decidedly healthful. Bro. Russell has done a faithful year's work, while the local preachers have co-operated nobly. The collections are in advance of last year.

WARTBURG CIRCUIT.

A. B. WRIGHT, PASTOR.

This charge is in Morgan County, dignified by such towns as Wartburg, Kismet, Sunbright and Rugby, and traversed by the Cincinnati Southern Railroad. The Circuit is large and rugged, with 12 appointments, 350 members and 74 probationers; 8 Sunday Schools, with 600 scholars; 74 conversions; 80 accessions to the Church. One church built, but not finished; when completed it will be an ornament to the town of Kismet, in which it is located, and worth, including lot, \$800. We

have also secured a deed for a handsome church-lot in Sun-bright, on which we propose building. Bro. Wright, though having had to move some distance at the opening of the Conference year, with an invalid daughter requiring much of his attention, together with personal affliction, has nevertheless done a grand work. Collections for Benevolent purposes, last year, \$6 75 ; this year, \$20 50. A good showing for a poor, mountain charge, and should provoke some of our richer valley circuits "to love and good works."

HUNTSVILLE CIRCUIT.

S. B. SCOTT, PASTOR.

This circuit is in "far-famed" Scott County. The county is quite broken, but abounding in coal, and filling up with villages and people. Glen Mary, Robins, New River, Helenwood, Oneida, Chitwood and Huntsville are small towns that crown the hills and adorn the valleys of this hill country, and in most of these places our Church is represented, with a good prospect of building up. A lot has been procured at Helenwood for a parsonage, the gift of a good Baptist brother. Bro. Scott has labored faithfully and acceptably. Last year Benevolent collections were ahead of any charge in the District, being \$24 45 ; this year, a trifle less.

JAMESTOWN CIRCUIT.

T. A. Cass was appointed to this work. He arrived just in time for his first Quarterly Conference, and was joyfully received. Fifty dollars was appropriated and \$150 promised by the circuit, which with careful cultivation of the field by a man so winning in his ways and possessed of such magnetic power as Bro. Cass, I think they would have paid, but Bro. Cass did not so think. He could not see a living on that circuit. So, after having made one round, he gave up the work and went home. I then procured the services of Rev. A. B. Scale, one of our most excellent local preachers, who did the best he could under the circumstances, but with little fruit either financially or spiritually. Benevolent collections, last year, \$10 50 ; this year, \$4 00. One Sunday School.

CROSSVILLE CIRCUIT.

W. B. Ballenger, Pastor, has served this charge for two years. It is quite a large circuit, lying for the most part in Cumberland County. Has 10 appointments, a membership of 200 or more, 6 Sunday Schools, but only two or three houses of worship, anything like comfortable ; conversions, 20 ; accessions, 20 ; Benevolent collections, last year, \$7 50 ; this year, \$11 00.

PIKEVILLE CIRCUIT.

J. F. PERRY, PASTOR.

This circuit lies for the most part up and down the Sequachee Valley, as to the body of it, but with uplifted wings, resting, the one on Cumberland Mountain, and the other on Walden's Ridge. This, I may say, is a good circuit, in a good country, with Methodists, warm-hearted and true. Bro. Perry lives in their cozy parsonage, within fifty yards of Sequachee College. He has labored faithfully, and given full satisfaction, and the circuit is in much better condition than last year. Benevolent collections, last year, nothing; this year, \$20 00.

BATTLE CREEK CIRCUIT.

S. M. TATE, SUPPLY.

This charge takes in portions of Marion and Grundy counties. Has mountain, rock and stream in formidable array, with which the itinerant must battle. Tracy City, Monteagle, Beer-sheba and a branch of the penitentiary are all in the bounds of this work. The labors of Bro. Tate have not gone uncrowned. Thirty have been converted, and about as many added to our Zion. Benevolent collections, last year, \$8 50; this year, \$6 00.

JASPER CIRCUIT.

M. C. BRUNER, IN CHARGE.

This is located in Marion County—Sequachee Valley. This is Bro. Bruner's second year in the Conference, and he has thus far "made full proof of his ministry." The circuit is in better condition than it was at the close of last year. Twenty-eight have made profession, and about twenty have been added to the Church. A pretty general wish for the return of Bro. Bruner was expressed. Collections, last year, \$12 50; this year, \$32 15, making it the banner circuit of Kingston District.

HAMILTON CIRCUIT.

A. C. PETERS, PASTOR.

This circuit is in Hamilton County, extending from near Chattanooga up Tennessee Valley nearly thirty miles, and broadwise from Walden's Ridge to Tennessee River. This is the best circuit in the district, and has been greatly blessed this year with revivals, which have occurred at six or seven points, aggregating 135 conversions and 80 additions to the Church. Benevolent collections, last year, \$8 00; this year, \$10 25.

The Sunday School at Soddy presented ther pastor with a handsome \$30 00 suit.

DAYTON CIRCUIT.

D. RICHARDSON, PASTOR.

This is in Rhea County, and is quite a compact work, and not difficult to travel. Preacher greatly discouraged in the fore part of the year; concluded he was the wrong man, but cheered up as the months rolled away, and now thinks there is hardly any place like Dayton Circuit, and no wonder—35 conversions, 77 additions to the Church, a new church built, which is well nigh finished, and will be the best in Rhea County, and besides all this a new suit presented by the Sunday School at Vine Grove. Benevolent collections, last year, \$6 00; this year, \$12 25. A good year for preacher and work.

W. C. DAILY, P. E.



KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

As we are now at the close of the Conference year it is but right and proper that we should make a brief statement of our year's labor. During the year there has existed on the Knoxville District the utmost cordiality of feeling among the preachers, and the most harmonious relations between the pastors and the churches. A glorious revival spirit has pervaded the District. Many souls have professed conversion and been added to the Church. As regards the finances there has been a marked advancement throughout the District, though there is yet much room for development. I have tried to impress upon our people the importance of contributing more liberally to our church benevolences, and many of the pastors will be able to report their collections in advance of last year. The salaries paid to the ministers are far below what they should be for a comfortable support; yet on some charges there has been an advance even in this particular. For a minister with a family to travel a circuit of eight or ten appointments, and secure as a compensation for his services between two and three hundred dollars, is no easy task.

At the close of the Conference, one year ago, the brethren repaired at once to their various fields of labor. On Newport Circuit Brother James Seaton has had a prosperous year. Seventy-five have been added to the Church.

On Fair Garden Circuit Brother James Lawson has labored faithfully and with some success. All his appointments have been met, and he has devoted considerable time to revival work. Forty persons have united with the Church.

On the New Market Circuit there has been excellent revivals; 100 have professed conversion; sixty-eight have united with the Church. Brother Durham, the pastor has done faithful and efficient work.

Brother Patton, on the Thorn Grove Circuit, has had a prosperous year. His salary has been paid in full. A new church has been built on his charge. 109 persons have professed conversion, and seventy-five have joined the Church.

Brother Murray, on the Sevierville Circuit, has labored faithfully, and is beloved by the people. The new Church at Sevierville will be ready for dedication

in a few weeks. Three other enterprises are under way; seventy-five persons have been added to the Church during the year.

The New Salem Circuit has been greatly blessed under the labors of Brother Hodsdon. He began his year's labor with a good revival at Henderson's Chapel, and closed with another at Jones' Chapel. Ninety have joined the Church. The people desire his return.

Brother Read has labored the past year on the Little River Circuit. He has been greatly afflicted during the past year with sickness in his family. His Circuit has had some success.

On the Maryville Circuit Brother Henry has closed up his third year's pastorate. The camp meeting at Carpenter's was attended with glorious results. Believers were revived and many professed conversion.

Brother Rule, on the Campbell Station Circuit, has faithfully and efficiently discharged his duties as a Methodist preacher. His work is of the lasting kind. The camp meeting on his charge at Bell's Camp Ground resulted in great good.

Knox Circuit has been blessed during the year with a revival spirit. Brother West has attended faithfully to his work, and as a result 116 have professed conversion; sixty-eight have joined the Church. A new Church has been dedicated on the charge.

At Knoxville second charge Brother Mann has labored to build up his Church. The Sabbath School is in a flourishing condition and the congregation on the increase. Now that this part of the City is developing we hope that this Church at no distant day will be self-supporting.

The first Church at Knoxville has had a year of growth and prosperity. Twenty-two persons professed conversion at the revival held last winter. Thirty-seven persons have united with the Church during the year. The Sabbath School has increased in numbers and interest. The public services are well attended. Strangers of our Church, coming to the City, are looked after.

Brother Crist has labored faithfully on the Loudon Circuit, and with good success. His collections will be in advance of last year. He has attended to all the interests of his work. The people desire his return.

In North Knoxville we have planted a flourishing Sabbath School. Have also purchased a lot on which we hope at no distant date to see erected a commanding Church.

Last winter one of the superannuated Ministers living within the bounds of this District, Brother Spencer Henry, was called away to his eternal reward. He died as he lived, a faithful follower of the Lord Jesus.

During the year I have preached 170 times, have received great kindness from the people and preachers. Have tried to the best of my ability to meet the responsibilities resting upon me.

C. B. SPARROW,
PRESIDING ELDER.

POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.

This District extends from a few miles westward of Clinton, Anderson County, to 16 miles eastward of Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tenn.; and from Nolachnuckey River, south of Morristown, to the Virginia and Kentucky and Tennessee State lines, comprising ten counties in whole or in part, and is meandered by quite a number of mountains and rivers.

In the past year three churches have been completed and a fourth one nearly so. A new framed church at Rogersville, worth \$1,600, was dedicated by Bishop Warren, March 6, 1883. It is the equal, if not the best, of any in the town. Another at Walnut Grove, four miles above the confluence of Clinch and Powell's Rivers, worth from \$1,200 to \$1,500, the best church for many miles around.

Still another at Burkhardt's, on the Maynardsville Circuit, has within the past few weeks been completed.

On the second floor of Powell's Valley Seminary is a church chapel, as well as a school chapel, 58x32 feet, that will most probably be completed by the time the minutes of our Conference go to print. This building is of brick, in modern style, permanent and tasteful, worth \$2,500.

The last session of our Conference left Clinton Circuit to be supplied, and we found a supply in the person of Rev. A. L. S. Bateman, of the North Ohio Conference, who was in the bounds of our Conference to get a softer climate. Bro. Bateman's labors have been blessed with some good revivals of religion, and in increased benevolent collections, and in the reception of his entire claim on the circuit.

The preacher appointed to Sneedville Circuit did not go, and we supplied that charge with Rev. T. R. Clark, who resides in the bounds of said circuit. Bro. Clark labored under many disadvantages, so his labors were not attended by any very marked result.

Revivals have occurred on Rogersville, Rutledge, Tazewell and Big Valley Circuits in which quite a number were converted and joined the Church, and it may be on other charges also.

The pastors, with little exception, have been faithful during the past year. Some of them have been hindered by personal afflictions and the prevalence of smallpox.

We leave on the district seven good churches that either had no existence or was greatly embarrassed with debt when we came to it four years ago.

It would be wrong to omit reference to our Conference Seminary, known as Powell's Valley Seminary, at Well Spring,

which has been built, burned down, and rebuilt with brick. This school has the largest attendance of any seminary in the bounds of Holston Conference, and, notwithstanding its many disadvantages, is constantly increasing in character, and draws students from a larger and still larger area of country, and is permanently holding those who are in attendance, if they remain in school at all, unless they learn to go to a school of a higher grade.

But our term of service has expired, and we must bid farewell to the dear brethren with whom we have fought and toiled and suffered, and look forward to the sweets of victory, rest, and freedom from pain and sorrow in Heaven.

May we be associated together there forever.

THOS. S. WALKER, *P. E.*



SESSIONS OF HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOPS.	SECRETARY.
1865	July 5	Athens.....	D. W. Clark.....	J. F. Spence.
1866	May 17.....	Greeneville.....	D. W. Clark.....	J. F. Spence.
1867	October 3.....	Knoxville.....	C. Ringsley.....	J. F. Spence.
1868	October 8.....	Chattanooga.....	D. W. Clark.....	J. F. Spence.
1869	October 7.....	Jonesboro.....	M. Simpson.....	J. F. Spence.
1870	October 3.....	Knoxville.....	L. Scott.....	J. J. Manker.
1871	October 11.....	Greeneville.....	L. Scott.....	J. J. Manker.
1872	October 2.....	Cleveland.....	S. M. Merrill.....	J. J. Manker.
1873	October 1.....	Knoxville.....	G. Haven.....	J. J. Manker.
1874	September 30.....	Chattanooga.....	E. G. Andrews.....	J. J. Manker.
1875	September 29.....	Greeneville.....	T. Bowman.....	J. J. Manker.
1876	October 4.....	Kingston.....	L. Scott.....	J. J. Manker.
1877	September 27.....	Knoxville.....	W. L. Harris.....	J. J. Manker.
1878	October 2.....	New Market.....	L. Scott.....	J. J. Manker.
1879	October 15.....	Knoxville.....	I. W. Wiley.....	J. J. Manker.
1880	October 20.....	Greeneville.....	E. O. Haven.....	J. D. Robinson.
1881	October 20.....	Maryville.....	E. G. Andrews.....	J. S. Hill.
1882	October 19.....	Chattanooga.....	M. Simpson.....	J. S. Hill.
1883	October 17.....	Knoxville.....	T. Bowman.....	J. S. Hill.

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LAY CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., October 19, 1883.

The Holston Lay Conference convened in the chapel of the Second Presbyterian Church this morning at 9 o'clock, and was called to order by the Hon. John W. Ramsey, President of the last session.

Religious Services.—Rev. Joseph R. Burch conducted the devotional exercises.

Committee on Credentials.—The President appointed Wiley M. Christian, John Wesley Adams and Danville Lee a Committee on Credentials.

Report of Committee.—The Committee on Credentials reported the following delegate as present and fully accredited:

J. W. Adams, Chattanooga, Tenn.	Daniel Lee, Knoxville, Tenn.
C. O. Hunt, " "	J. R. Rurchfield, Hickory Ridge, "
Eli Sawyers, Soddy, " "	Dr. J. W. Baldwin, Putter, "
M. H. Koon, Scarborough, " "	R. H. Audies, Sevierville, "
R. H. Barger, Pikeville, " "	Joseph H. Ketron, Bloomingdale, "
James A. Ruble, Sevierville, " "	William A. Wright, Well Spring, "
A. A. Morgan, Dayton, " "	D. V. Dame, Jasper, "
John B. Childress, Kingston, " "	C. W. Yates, Russellville, "
S. P. Fowler, New Market, " "	Moses Gambles, Madisonville, "
Charles McGlothern, Knoxville, " "	C. S. Parrott, Parrottsville, "
John G. Shell, Elizabethton, " "	Abraham Carter, Rome, "
L. A. Simmons, Cave Spring, " "	Dr. John Jones, Fincastle, "
H. J. Henry, Ellijay, " "	John S. King, Loudon, "
J. W. Ramsey, Cleveland, " "	A. G. French, Knoxville, "
W. R. Leeper, Strawberry Plains, " "	Samuel Hutsel, Benton, "
F. G. McGaha, Birdsville, " "	Lewis Bennett, Big Lick, "
R. A. McClennan, Cleveland, " "	William Sliger, Decatur, "
F. M. Hinds, Bayless, " "	Asa Brogan, Little Barren, "
S. H. Powder, Johnson City, " "	J. J. Crawford, Knoxville, "
J. G. Reaves, Greeneville, " "	J. C. Kucker, Athens, "
S. D. Bowman, Leesburg, " "	Moses K. Butrom, Williamsburg, "
J. G. Weens, Carter Station, " "	J. A. Goddard, Maryville, "
George A. Shearly, Rutledge, " "	Joseph Hatfield, New River, "
Azwel Taylor, Clinton, " "	J. E. Tallert, Ooltewah, "
Wiley M. Christian, Johnson City, "	

Organization.—On motion, Hon. J. W. Ramsey was elected President; Wiley M. Christian, Secretary; J. W. Adams and William A. Wright, Assistant Secretaries.

Resolution.—Wiley M. Christian offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It is now manifest from certain demonstrations made during this year that there is a disposition with some of the ministers and laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church to have the ministerial term lengthened, or the rules restricting the same abolished by our next General Conference; and

WHEREAS, We believe that such a change would be detrimental to Methodism, would tend towards localizing the work of the Church; would destroy the grand old itinerant system, and would place the ministry in the hands of capital to preach where capital calls; and

WHEREAS, A part of the mission of the Savior was to have the Gospel preached unto the poor; and this would hinder rather than facilitate his mission and work; therefore,

Resolved first, That it is the sense of this Lay Electoral Conference that such a change would prove disastrous to the Church, a hindrance to the Gospel, and ought not to be made.

Resolved second, That the members elected from this body to the General Conference, which meets in the City of Philadelphia, Pa., in May, 1884, be instructed to labor and vote against any measure looking to the lengthening of the ministerial term, or of abolishing the rules restricting the same.

Resolved third, That as laymen of the Holston Conference we earnestly request the ministers elected from that body to said General Conference to use their energy, their influence, and their votes to prevent a change in ministerial term.

The resolution was thoroughly discussed by J. J. Crawford, Joseph H. Ketron, J. S. King, F. G. McGaha, James A. Ruble, S. P. Fowler and J. W. Adams, after which it was carried by an almost unanimous vote.

On motion the Conference proceeded to the election of two delegates to the General Conference of 1884, and

Tellers Appointed.—S. H. Powder and C. W. Yates were appointed tellers to count the ballots.

Roll Call.—The roll was called and the members voted.

Joseph H. Ketron Elected.—The tellers announced that Joseph H. Ketron had received a majority of the votes cast, and he was declared elected as a delegate to the General Conference.

Second Ballot.—The second ballot was taken and the tellers announced—no election.

S. P. Angel Elected.—The third ballot was taken and S. P. Angel having received a majority was declared elected a delegate to the General Conference.

Reserves.—The Conference then proceeded to the election of two reserve delegates, the roll was called and the vote taken. Wiley M. Christian was elected.

Second Ballot.—The roll was again called, the vote taken and Wm. S. Wright was elected.

Election Made Unanimous.—On motion of J. W. Adams the election of delegates and reserves was made unanimous.

Adjournment.—On motion it was resolved that when the Conference adjourn it be to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned.—On motion the Conference adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, J. W. Ramsey in the chair, G. M. Hinds conducting the devotional exercises.

Minutes Approved.—The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Publication of the Proceedings.—On motion the Conference requested the publication of the proceedings of the Lay Conference in the minutes of the Holston Conference collection. A collection of \$13.63 was raised to help defray the expenses of publishing the minutes.

Methodist Advocate.—J. W. Adams offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Conference has ordered the publication of several religious newspapers, which we recognize as a source of power to the church in uniting in one common fellowship the members of our church, spreading Scripture holiness; therefore

Resolved, That we most heartily commend, and would urge upon our people to take at least one of the Conference papers, and especially the Western Christian Advocate, which is most nearly allied to our interests; and,

WHEREAS, Since the discontinuance of the publication of the Methodist Advocate, as required by the General Conference, which left us without a local Methodist newspaper as an organ of communication between our Conferences, and the membership of the Central South, and

WHEREAS, The Rev. T. C. Carter has started a paper under the title of the Methodist Advocate, at Chattanooga, to be used as such a communication and interchange of thought, therefore

Resolved, That we give said paper our earnest support, and heartily recommend it to our people.

Resolved, That we would respectfully memorialize the General Conference to add this paper to the list of Conference.

LAST NIGHT.

Introduced.—Rev. T. C. Carter, editor of the Methodist Advocate, was introduced to the Conference, and in a forcible manner presented the claims of the Advocate. A large number of delegates pledged themselves to do all they could to secure subscribers for that paper.

Special Committee.—W. M. Christian, J. W. Adams and Prof. Joseph H. Ketron were appointed to prepare a suitable resolution of respect to the character of our beloved the late Dr. E. L. Fuller, and of condolence to his bereaved wife and family, the memorial to be printed in the Methodist Advocate.

Resolutions Adopted.—The Conference adopted the following resolutions by rising votes:

Resolved, 1st. That the thanks of this Lay Conference is hereby tendered to the trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church for the use of their chapel in which to hold our conference.

Resolved, 2d. That the thanks of this Conference is hereby most heartily tendered to the citizens of Knoxville for their generous hospitality, and to the press for publishing the proceedings of this conference.

Resolved, 3d. That the thanks of this Lay Conference is hereby tendered to our President for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this body. The thanks of this Conference is also tendered to the Secretary and his assistants for the prompt and accurate manner in which they have kept the minutes of this Conference.

F. M. HINDS.

Adjourned.—On motion the Conference adjourned sine die, Rev. T. C. Carter pronouncing the benediction.

JOHN W. RAMSEY, President.

WILEY M. CHRISTIAN, Secretary.



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	Number of Probationers.	Number of Full Members.	Number of Local Preachers.	Number of Deaths.	Number of Children Baptized.	Number of Adults Baptized.	Number of Churches.	Probable Value.	Number of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.
Athens.....	5	128	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Athens Circuit.....	81	358	3	.....	.....	6	30	7	2400	1	\$200	300 00	.....
Blue Spring.....	27	334	3	.....	.....	2	.....	5	1300	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chatata.....	80	449	3	.....	.....	12	19	6	4100	1	200	100 00	\$100 00
Chattanooga.....	7	173	1	.....	.....	3	.....	2	1060	.....	1000 00	500 00	1500 00
South Chattanooga.....	20	37	1	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	115 00	.....	.....
Cleveland.....	3	69	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	3900	.....	.....	176 00	425 00
Cleveland Circuit.....	10	270	2	.....	.....	5	10	6	4450	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decatur.....	82	415	2	.....	.....	5	6	5	1000	1	250	27 20	58 46
Ducktown.....	29	158	.....	.....	.....	3	9	2	3100	.....	.....	100 00	.....
Madisonville.....	42	279	2	.....	.....	3	10	3	1300	.....	.....	300 00	.....
Ooltawah.....	32	272	6	.....	.....	4	9	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	408	2947	24	30	52	102	39	42550	3	650	13442 20	676 00	2083 46
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.													
Elizabethton.....	6	63	1	2	.....	1	1	1	4000	.....	.....	60 00	.....
Fall Branch.....	38	407	7	2	5	19	7	7	4800	.....	.....	150 00	.....
Greenville.....	10	120	.....	3	9	.....	1	1	4000	1	1000	.....	.....
Greenville Circuit.....	169	513	2	10	26	3	8	8	10600	.....	.....	300 00	.....
Irwin.....	91	334	3	4	.....	31	1	1	740	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnson City Circuit.....	38	337	2	2	1	7	3	3	3000	.....	.....	70 00	.....
Jonesboro and Johnson City	6	107	2	3	2	4	1	1	2500	.....	.....	500 00	60 00
Jonesboro Circuit.....	35	475	1	1	26	3	2	00	200	.....	.....	50 00	10 00
Kingsport.....	34	550	.....	.....	20	35	4	4	3000	.....	.....	50 00	.....
Parrottsville.....	12	328	2	2	5	1	1	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rheatown.....	3	593	3	12	10	3	8	8	9000	1	800	30 00	300 00
St. Clair.....	40	575	2	2	6	15	3	3	2500	.....	.....	.....	600 00
Taylorssville.....	55	317	1	4	1	2	1	1	1900	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	337	4719	26	57	86	147	42	42840	2	1800	990 00	590 00	916 00
KINGSTON DISTRICT.													
Battle Creek.....	18	252	4	.....	.....	.....	6	6	1225	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crossville.....	24	220	2	3	7	9	2	2	700	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dayton.....	87	221	2	4	5	38	2	2	1600	1	350	200 00	.....
Hamilton.....	72	306	4	6	6	18	3	3	2000	.....	.....	1 150	.....
Huntsville.....	28	62	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	50	.....	.....
Jamestown.....	31	268	1	.....	.....	.....	2	2	500	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jasper.....	27	202	.....	3	2	.....	3	3	1500	1	250	15 00	.....
Kingston.....	1	96	.....	1	3	.....	1	1	1000	.....	.....	12 50	57 00
Kingston Circuit.....	30	210	4	4	3	6	3	3	1600	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pikeville.....	9	196	.....	3	3	1	4	4	1500	1	300	25 00	77 00
Scorborough.....	54	275	5	2	10	16	4	4	2100	.....	.....	40 00	.....
Wartburg.....	74	350	.....	6	17	12	7	7	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	435	2658	24	34	56	100	37	15225	4	1100	292 50	134 00	75 00

Holston Conference, for 1883.

[No. 1.]

S. SCHOOLS			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											MINISTERIAL SUPPORT		
Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday School Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	Other Collections.	For Pastors, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Current Expenses (sexton, fuel, gas, Sunday Schools etc.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
4	24	169	\$9 00	\$4 00	\$13 00	.....	\$9 00	75	\$1 50	.....	\$6 00	\$2 00	\$1 50	\$333 75	\$ 1 00	\$10 00
3	46	289	6 13	56	6 74	.....	8 50	25	25	.....	50	25	.....	428 17	1 50	.....
4	32	260	7 00	1 00	8 00	.....	5 00	.....	60	.....	75	20	.....	167 13	1 00	.....
6	30	385	5 50	.....	5 50	25	12 00	.....	2 30	.....	3 05	1 50	.....	361 10	3 00	.....
1	20	200	20 00	2 00	22 00	.....	8 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	3 50	.....	1605 00	4 00	200 00
1	10	50	4 00	2 00	6 00	25	6 00	.....	50	1 00	50	25	.....	180 50	1 00	10 00
1	9	100	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	324 32	1 00	75 00
4	20	150	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 00	1 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	400 00	.....	.....
5	20	250	6 00	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	3 00	.....	.....	50	.....	2 00	35 00	75	.....
4	20	125	.....	4 02	4 02	.....	6 35	1 00	.....	.....	4 38	.....	.....	252 00	.....	.....
8	40	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	2 00	1 03	.....	.....	1 00	.....	187 78	.....	.....
.....	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210 00	.....	.....
41	301	2219	71 69	13 58	83 26	50	81 85	11 50	7 18	6 25	19 68	9 70	3 50	4802 75	14 25	295 00
1	10	100	2 00	.....	2 00	25	1 00	50	25	12	50	25	.....	343 50	25	60 00
3	27	327	6 00	.....	6 00	.....	5 00	25	25	2 00	50	50	.....	185 00	5 00	.....
1	12	144	26 80	8 20	35 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	6 50	.....	443 00	5 00	175 00
8	72	611	5 35	.....	5 35	50	1 00	93	94	.....	.....	25	.....	250 00	4 00	.....
1	5	39	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	3 00	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	324 75	.....	.....
3	21	303	9 20	.....	9 10	.....	2 50	30	1 00	2 05	.....	.....	.....	350 00	2 50	75 00
2	13	120	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	4 00	1 00	50	8 85	5 30	1 60	7 00	442 35	.....	50 00
1	5	40	8 00	.....	8 00	50	3 00	30	1 00	50	1 50	50	.....	238 25	1 85	.....
6	36	160	4 50	5 50	10 40	1 00	2 00	1 00	25	50	1 00	80	1 00	456 00	1 00	50 00
.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	.....	6 00	.....	2 00	75	50	50	.....	180 00	5 00	.....
5	40	400	20 00	.....	20 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	.....	509 37	10 00	50 00
12	72	540	15 00	.....	15 00	1 00	75	1 00	50	7 19	1 00	.....	.....	400 00	.....	.....
3	20	200	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	5 30	75	.....	.....	393 00	10 00	.....
46	333	3181	131 65	13 70	151 35	5 25	39 25	8 45	9 69	28 31	15 55	7 40	14 50	4515 22	44 60	460 00
5	21	185	5 00	1 00	6 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	142 50	2 00	.....
1	3	75	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	226 00	1 05	20 00
4	21	200	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	273 00	1 00	20 00
4	8	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	186 00	.....	.....
2	.....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55 00	.....	.....
1	10	78	10 00	.....	10 00	1 00	5 00	30	7 10	30	1 00	1 20	.....	212 51	5 00	10 00
1	9	80	12 00	.....	12 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 84	.....	.....	166 00	.....	36 00
3	15	100	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160 00	1 00	10 00
2	8	80	13 00	.....	13 00	25	3 00	.....	25	25	50	1 00	25	291 00	1 00	.....
4	15	200	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225 00	2 00	.....
8	60	600	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 20	.....	.....	162 51	3 00	.....
34	170	1688	74 00	1 00	75 00	1 25	41 25	55	7 35	80	6 34	1 45	.....	2098 52	16 05	96 00

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS.						MEMBERS.					
	No. on the roll at the last Conference and received since.	No. removed by certificate.	No. removed without certificate.	No. dropped, withdrawn, or unknown.	No. of deaths.	No. received into full connection.	No. on the roll at the end of this year.	No. received by certificate.	No. received from probation.	No. removed by certificate.	No. removed without certificate.	No. withdrawn, expelled, or unknown.
Campbell Station	40	11		5		15	20	1	15	3		4
Fair Garden	91					18	73	1	18	3		
Knoxville, Clinch Street Church							4	5				2
North Knoxville												
London	29	4		16	1	2	6	3	2	4		
Little River	8						8	1		3		
Maryville	85					14	71		14	2		4
Newport	86	12	3			86	71	3	86	12	3	
New Market	109					75	32	3	75	6		
New Salem	81	1		12		11	58	2	11	1		
Sevierville	111			12	9	9	90	7	9	13	5	10
Thorn Grove	94			2		27	67		27			
Knox Circuit	76	5			2	8	61	1	8	4	10	2
Total	810	23	5	47	3	265	561	27	265	51	18	28
POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT.												
Big Valley	54	1	5	20	3	14	28	2	14	1	5	10
Clear Fork	1						1					
Clinton	26			4		13	9	2	13	5		
Fincastle and Speedwell	15			5			10					
Jacksboro	45				1		44	2				
Maynardville	6						6			2		
Morristown	43					9	24	2	9	2	41	
Rogersville	48					29	19	2	29	1		
Rutledge	61			4		15	38	7	25	8		2
Sneedville	54					2	52		2	4		
Tazewell	99			2		25	72	19	25	2		
Total	435	1	5	35	4	117	303	36	117	25	46	12

RECAPITULATION.

Chattanooga District	662	11	8	33	15	196	386	139	196	42	8	16
Greeneville District	922	4	21	33	19	313	520	49	313	33	12	20
Kingston District	575	3	9	59	4	93	442	49	93	34	17	28
Knoxville District	810	23	5	47	3	265	561	27	265	51	18	28
Powell's Valley District	455	1	5	35	4	117	303	36	117	25	46	12
Total	3424	42	48	207	45	984	2212	300	984	185	101	104

Holston Conference, for 1883.

[No. 2.]

No. of Deaths.	No. of known members at the end of this year.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.			PRESIDING ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CONF. CLAIM'TS	
		Pastor's claim, including rental value of parsonage, or house rent.	Pastor's receipts, including rental value of parsonage, or house rent.	Deficiency.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount paid.	Amount apportioned.	Amount Paid.
1	301	\$ 330 00	\$ 200 00	\$ 120 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 48 00	\$ 4 00	\$ 3 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 3 00
12	483	318 00	191 00	127 00				2 00		1 00
1		1000 00	1000 00		100 00	100 00	5 45	5 45	7 55	7 55
1	52	600 00	522 00	78 00	30 00	30 00				
1	236	350 00	264 00	146 00	40 00	40 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 01
1	316	300 00	100 00	200 00	50 00	50 00		2 00		2 00
4	419	500 00	274 56	225 44	70 00	70 00	5 00	3 00	10 00	7 00
	364	170 00	89 00	81 00		20 22		1 50		10
7	450	500 00	429 11	70 78	67 00	67 00		4 00		2 00
2	243	425 00	355 00	70 00	50 00	50 00		1 00		1 00
18	598	400 00	400 00		80 00	80 00		1 00		2 00
4	404	330 00	329 00	1 00	50 00	50 00		1 50		1 50
2	385	400 00	325 00	75 00	60 00	54 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00
54	4255	\$5623 00	\$4408 78	\$1294 22	\$657 00	\$659 22	\$19 45	\$29 45	\$31 55	\$34 16
3	330	\$ 200 00	\$ 130 00	\$ 70 00	\$ 35 00	\$ 35 00	\$ 3 50	\$ 3 00	\$ 11 75	\$ 6 00
1	151	250 00	57 20	192 80				50		
5	268	250 00	260 00		40 00	30 00		2 00		2 00
	373	200 00	100 00	100 00				1 00		
1	250	300 00	150 00	150 00	35 00	25 82	3 25	3 25		4 35
4	260	260 00	40 00	220 00	25 00	18 90				1 00
5	401	500 00	229 99	278 01	40 00	27 65	4 00	2 50	11 75	2 50
4	274	330 00	274 00	56 00	40 00	30 00		2 00		2 00
6	466	300 00	157 50	142 50	40 00	25 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	18 00
1	284	300 00	20 00	280 00	20 00	12 00				
3	400	200 00	129 15	7 85	25 00	19 75	3 00	2 00	7 00	2 00
33	3457	\$3090 00	\$1547 84	\$1560 16	\$300 00	\$219 12	\$18 75	\$18 25	\$35 50	\$37 85

RECAPITULATION.

29	2940	\$ 4301 01	\$ 4053 98	\$ 398 07	\$ 476 00	\$ 434 27	\$ 23 50	\$ 18 00	\$ 23 00	\$ 15 65
47	4730	4982 50	4002 45	992 55	579 60	484 00	47 00	32 50	54 00	47 60
34	2416	2885 00	1772 52	640 03	312 50	317 04	9 50	8 75	15 00	16 05
54	4255	5623 00	4408 78	1294 22	657 00	659 21	19 45	29 45	31 55	34 16
33	3457	3090 00	1547 84	1560 16	300 00	219 12	18 75	18 25	35 50	37 85
197	17598	\$20381 50	\$15785 57	\$4885 03	\$2424 50	\$2113 65	\$118 20	\$106 95	\$159 03	\$205 21

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.						
	Number of Probationers.	Number of Full Members.	Number of Local Preachers.	Number of Deaths.	Number of Children Baptized	Number of Adults Baptized.	Number of Churches.	Probable Value.	Number of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages.	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property.	Present indebtedness on Church Property.
Campbell Station	20	301	1	1	1	15	5	\$4400 00	..	..	5 00	..	..
Fair Garden	73	483	3	12	8	18	7	1800 00	..	..	..	..	..
Knoxville, Clinch St. Church	61	385	2	2	6	38	5	5000 00	..	..	150 00	..	..
North Knoxville	4	27	1	1	10	1	1	35000 00	..	..	500 00	..	..
London . . . . .	..	532	..	..	..	..	..	4000 00	..	..	..	100 00	..
Little River	6	236	1	1	2	3	3	4000 00	..	..	24 00	..	246 00
Maryville	8	316	1	1	1	1	3	1000 00	..	..	..	..	..
Newport	71	419	4	4	3	10	5	000 00	1	300 00	20 00	..	..
New Market	71	364	5	..	18	40	3 1/2	1500 00	..	..	..	..	..
New Salem	32	450	5	6	6	37	3 1/2	4500 00	..	..	..	..	..
Sevierville	58	243	1	2	7	6	3	4000 00	1	1000 00	..	..	..
Thorn Grove	90	598	5	18	4	8	10	6100 00	1	1000 00	1750 00	..	820 00
Knox Circuit	67	404	3	4	7	28	4	2500 00	1	300 00	500 00	..	..
Total	551	4488	28	52	49	199	53 1/2	76800 00	4	\$2600 00	\$3129 00	100 00	1066 00
POWELL'S VALLEY DISTRICT													
Big Valley	28	330	7	3	6	6	3	700 00	..	..	..	..	..
Clear Fork	1	151	1	1	1	..	1	100 00	..	..	..	..	..
Clinton	9	268	1	5	5	..	4	1000 00	..	..	600 00	..	..
Fincastle and Speedwell	10	373	2	3	15	..	6 1/2	5900 00	..	..	..	..	..
Jacksboro	44	250	2	1	..	..	3	1100 00	..	..	..	..	..
Maynardville	6	260	2	4	1	..	3	600 00	..	..	150 00	..	..
Morristown	24	401	6	5	..	..	8	5000 00	1	200 00	..	..	60 00
Rogersville	19	274	2	4	8	10	3	2500 00	..	..	1800 00	..	300 00
Rutledge	38	466	6	6	..	10	4	2000 00	..	..	..	..	..
Sneedville	52	284	5	1	4	35	3	1500 00	..	..	..	..	..
Tazewell	72	400	9	3	..	18	3 1/2	1200 00	..	..	200 00	..	..
Total	303	3457	42	36	40	79	41 3/4	21600 00	1	\$200 00	\$2750 50	..	360 00

RECAPITULATION.

Chattanooga District	408	2947	24	30	52	102	39	4255 00	3	650 00	13442 29	670 00	2083 46
Greenville District	537	4719	26	57	86	147	42	4244 00	2	800 00	990 00	590 00	916 00
Kingston District	455	2658	24	34	56	109	37	1522 50	5	1100 00	292 50	134 00	75 00
Knoxville District	531	4488	28	52	49	199	53 1/2	7680 00	4	2600 00	3129 00	100 00	1066 00
Powell's Valley District	303	3457	42	36	40	79	41 3/4	2260 00	1	200 00	2750 00	..	360 00
Total	2254	18269	144	209	283	627	213	19901 50	15	5350 00	20603 70	1494 00	4500 46

COMPARATIVE GROWTH.

1882	2159	179 8	158	177	367	569	205	2015 50	13	11 13	8289 31	460 11	1617 00
1883	2254	18269	144	209	283	627	213 3/4	1990 05	15	53 50	2060 37	1494 00	4500 46

S. SCHOOLS			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.										MINISTERIAL SUPPORT			
Number of Schools.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number Scholars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For Sunday School Union.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	Other Collections.	For Pastors, Presiding Elder, and Bishops.	For Conference Claimants.	Current Expenses (sexton, fuel, gas, Sunday Schools, etc.
			From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.											
2	9	80	\$12 00	.....	\$12 00	\$ 35	\$3 00	\$1 05	\$ 50	\$16 20	\$ 68	\$ 73	.....	\$261 00	3 00	.....
3	21	120	8 00	.....	8 00	1 00	1 00	25	25	2 45	1 00	28	.....	256 00	1 00	.....
5	25	301	28 00	2 00	30 00	25	50	25	1 50	32 27	50	25	.....	381 00	5 00	.....
1	25	200	17 60	.....	17 60	.....	9 00	90	2 75	59 98	3 75	1 25	\$4 00	1105 45	7 55	14 00
1	8	125	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 50	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	552 00	.....	66 35
2	19	84	7 00	3 00	10 00	.....	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	46 75	.....	.....	392 00	2 00	.....
7	42	280	35 00	.....	35 00	50	1 00	.....	.....	74 90	.....	3 00	.....	252 00	2 00	.....
3	56	225	1 10	.....	1 10	.....	10	.....	.....	2 10	25	05	.....	347 56	7 00	.....
4	43	229	20 00	.....	20 00	5 95	6 00	30	60	50	50	60	.....	500 22	2 60	53 22
2	14	150	77 20	.....	77 20	.....	1 00	25	25	25 69	.....	.....	.....	386 00	1 00	.....
7	62	365	12 75	2 33	15 08	4 00	7 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	50	.....	481 00	2 00	5 00
3	30	120	10 00	.....	10 00	1 00	6 00	50	1 00	10 40	1 00	50	.....	381 50	1 50	.....
47	349	2179	165 65	7 33	177 98	13 05	37 60	6 50	10 35	229 49	55 43	7 63	4 00	5401 35	34 75	138 57
6	36	200	28 00	.....	28 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	168 00	6 00	.....
.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57 70	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	50	7 50	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	327 00	2 00	.....
5	15	150	10 00	.....	10 00	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	12	150	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	25	.....	.....	25	1 35	.....	.....	179 07	4 35	1 50
1	6	30	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 90	1 00	.....
5	38	186	22 78	.....	22 78	50	2 00	1 00	1 09	2 00	2 00	50	.....	224 50	2 50	.....
2	14	100	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	.....	3 75	75	.....	.....	2 30	20 00
2	10	100	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 75	.....	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	244 00	1 80	.....
.....	.....	.....	50	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 00	.....	.....
7	34	282	7 10	.....	7 10	25	1 95	25	50	63	1 22	1 00	.....	150 90	2 00	.....
30	165	1198	91 88	.....	91 88	3 25	32 45	1 75	7 55	4 63	10 32	3 20	.....	1718 57	21 65	21 50

RECAPITULATION.

41	301	2219	71 69	73 88	85 26	30	81 85	11 50	7 18	6 20	19 68	9 70	3 50	4802 75	14 25	295 00
46	333	3181	131 65	13 70	151 35	5 20	39 25	8 45	9 69	28 31	15 55	7 40	14 50	4515 22	44 60	460 00
34	170	1688	74 00	1 00	75 00	1 24	41 25	55	7 35	80	6 34	1 45	.....	2098 52	16 05	96 00
47	343	2179	156 65	7 33	177 98	13 05	37 60	6 00	10 35	229 49	55 43	7 63	4 00	5401 35	34 75	138 57
30	165	1198	91 88	.....	91 88	3 25	32 45	1 75	7 55	4 63	10 32	3 20	.....	1718 57	21 65	21 50
198	1312	10465	525 87	95 91	581 39	23 05	232 40	28 25	42 12	269 43	107 32	29 38	22 00	18526 41	131 30	101107

COMPARATIVE GROWTH.

186	1276	10852	624 81	80 80	706 60	21 00	77 21	22 91	32 72	31 30	55 69	21 45	28 50	17792 69	122 49	861 45
198	1312	10465	525 87	95 81	581 39	23 05	232 40	28 25	42 12	269 43	107 32	29 38	22 00	18526 41	131 30	101107

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PROBATIONERS.						MEMBERS.							
	No. on the roll at the last Conference and received since.	No. removed by certificate.	No. removed without certificate.	No. dropped, withdrawn, or unknown.	No. of deaths.	No. received into full connection.	No. on the roll at the end of this year.	No. received by certificate.	No. received from probation.	No. removed by certificate.	No. removed without certificate.	No. withdrawn, expelled, or unknown.	No. of deaths.	No. of known Members at the end of this year.
Athens.....	10	1	1			2	5	3	2	4				128
Athens Circuit.....	135			3		54	81	41	54	33			5	358
Blue Spring.....	46		5	6	3	5	27		5	33				334
Chatata.....	133	5		2	5	43	89	3	43	33			3	449
Chattanooga.....	18			2		9	7	13	9	5				173
South Chattanooga.....	20					20	13			4		6	1	37
Cleveland.....	33				1	1	3		1				1	67
Cleveland Circuit.....	33	5			5	13	10	6	13	5			5	270
Decatur.....	134		2	5		45	82	10	45	4	1		3	415
Ducktown.....	61					13	29	42	13	5				158
Madisonville.....	69			15	1	11	42	7	11	5	3	2	2	279
Ooltewah.....														272
Total.....	602	11	8	33	15	196	386	139	196	42	8	16	29	2940
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.														
Elizabethton.....	11			2		3	6		3			3	2	63
Fall Branch.....	58					20	38		20	2				407
Greenville.....	25					13	10	13	13	3	2			120
Greenville Circuit.....	178	2	11		10	9	109	11	9	8			10	513
Irwin.....	133					42	91		42					334
Johnson City Circuit.....	55					70	45		70	3		2		343
Jonesboro and Johnson City	11				2	3	6	4	3				2	107
Jonesboro Circuit.....	145					40	65	10	40			8	4	475
Kingsport.....	150	1	10	15	1	50	40	7	50	1	10	6	8	550
Parrottsville.....	15	1			2	10	3		10	1				328
Rheatown.....	29			16		10	3	4	10	11		1	12	593
St. Clair.....	90					50	40		50	4				578
Taylorsville.....	62				4	3	55		3					317
Total.....	922	4	21	33	19	313	520	49	313	33	12	20	47	4730
KINGSTON DISTRICT.														
Battle Creek.....														
Crossville.....	61	3	5	12		12	29	2	12	3	9	11	3	220
Dayton.....	109				4	18	87	7	18					421
Hamilton.....	137			40		29	72	10	29	4	5	1	6	306
Huntsville.....	29		1				28	3		2	1			62
Jamestown.....						31								268
Jasper.....	30					3	27	1	3	4			3	212
Kingston.....	3					2	1	6	2	2	2	1	1	96
Kingston Circuit.....	33					8	30	3	8	1			4	210
Pikeville.....	17		3	4		1	9	14	1	1		15	3	196
Scorborough.....	77			3		20	54	2	20	5			2	275
Wartburg.....	74						74	1		12			6	350
Total.....	575	3	9	59	4	93	442	49	93	34	17	28	34	2416

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.			PRESIDING ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIMANTS.	
Pastor's Claim, including rental value of Parsonage, or House Rent.	Pastor's Receipts, including rental value of Parsonage or House Rent.	Deficiency.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.	Amount Apportioned.	Amount Paid.
\$ 350 00	\$ 305 00	\$ 45 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 35 00	\$ 3 00	\$ 2 75		\$ 2 40
300 00	386 45		40 00	40 72		1 00		1 50
250 00	133 63	116 37	40 00	32 00		1 50		1 00
836 00	347 00		50 00	45 75	4 00	4 00	\$ 11 00	3 00
1500 00	1500 00		100 00	100 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00
160 00	160 00		20 00	20 00	2 00	50		1 00
300 00	286 82	13 18	40 00	37 50	3 50	1 00	6 00	1 00
350 00	250 00	100 00	44 00	40 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
240 00	292 00		40 00	36 00	3 00	25		75
240 00	227 60	13 00	32 00	25 00				
275 00	165 48	110 52	30 00	22 30				
4301 00	4053 98	398 07	476 00	434 27	23 50	18 00	23 00	15 65
300 00	313 00		24 00	30 00		50		25
40 00	140 00	260 00	50 00	40 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00
40 00	400 00		40 00	40 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00
350 00	275 63	74 37	65 00	47 55	5 00	2 50	8 00	4 00
30 00	219 45	80 55	30 00	24 70				
380 00	325 00	55 00	50 00	38 00		2 50		2 50
400 00	400 00		40 00	40 00	3 00	2 50	2 00	1 00
300 00	212 75	87 25	40 00	23 50	5 00	2 00		1 85
400 00	400 00		50 00	50 00	6 00	2 50	4 00	1 00
270 00	150 00	120 00	30 00	30 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	5 00
611 00	467 62	141 38	60 00	35 75	5 00	4 00	10 00	10 00
531 50	357 00	174 00	50 00	34 50	5 00	5 00		2 00
340 00	342 00		50 00	50 00	5 00	1 00	10 00	10 00
4982 50	4002 45	992 55	579 00	484 00	47 00	32 50	54 00	47 60
150 00	115 00	35 00	28 00	26 50	1 50	1 00	2 00	2 00
300 00	164 51	135 49	30 00	30 00	2 00	1 50	2 00	1 05
250 00	242 00	8 00	32 00	32 00	2 00	1 00		1 00
200 00	160 00	40 00	24 00	26 00		1 00		
	25 00		30 00	30 00				
250 00	181 25	68 74	30 00	30 00	2 00	1 25	5 00	5 00
300 00	130 00	170 00	36 00	35 73				
275 00	160 00	115 00	22 50	22 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
260 00	263 35		30 00	30 00	1 00	1 00		1 00
200 00	260 60		25 00	25 00			5 00	2 00
200 00	132 20	67 80	25 00	29 31		1 00		3 00
2385 00	1772 52	640 03	312 50	317 04	9 50	8 75	15 00	16 05



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